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Deadlock over hijack raises doubts on deal

Arafat hints it 'will not end in Algiers'

From Philip Jacobson in Algiers and Our Foreign Staff

The hijack crisis was deadlocked here last night amid speculation that there had either been a last-minute hitch in the deal worked out in Cyprus or that one of the parties had gone back on the agreed conditions.

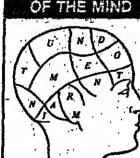
As the 32 remaining passengers and five crew sat out the minth day of their ordeal in the sweltering heat of Algiers airport, Mr Yassir Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization - who set up the deal was reported as saying

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TOURNAMENT



Fourth round of the

finals: page 12 **NEXT WEEK**



 Next week The Times introduces a new and advanced financial phoneline service called STOCKWATCH. In both scope and sophistication it surpasses any other information service currently available, giving instant access to more than 10,000 investment prices. Full details of The Times STOCKWATCH service will appear on Monday.

Law results

The results of the Law Society's final examination, winter, 1988, will be published tomorrow. Copies of The Times containing them may be bought after 9.30pm tonight at the main entrance to Victoria Station.

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Snow reports

hijack would end in jacked plane. Algiers. Talks between the hijackers of the Kuwaiti Airways jumbo

jet and Algerian negotiators had gone on all day but showed little sign of progress. Cypriot officials had said the plane was released from Larnaca airport after a deal

was struck on three points the plane would fly only to Athens — Cyprus last night dismissed criticism of its de-cision to let the hijacked Kuwaiti airliner go although 37 hostages were still on it (Mario Modiano writes). Mr Akis Fantis, the Cyprus Government spokesman, said there had been no change of

Lessons of Larnaca14

Algiers; there would be no further killing, and with the guarantee from Algerian, Ku-waiti and PLO officials that there would be a "peaceful end to the crisis."

Last night Algerian authorities were becoming increasingly impatient with the Kuwaiti government's "intransigence" on the question of commutations of the death sentences of three of the 17 prisoners in Kuwait, and free-dom for them all, which the hijackers have : been demanding.

An Algerian official in-dicated that his government hoped to force Kuwait into a more flexible position.

Britain and the United States expressed disappoint-ment yesterday at the Cypriot decision to release the aircraft. But the Government of President Vassiliou was particularly satisfied by the fact that in providing the scene for direct talks between the hijackers and the PLO mediators the government had managed to stay on the sidelines of critical decisions.

A senior Kuwaiti government delegation, led by the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Saud al-Usaimi, flew into Hourari Boumedien airport yesterday afternoon. After a brief statement expressing hope that the situation might still be resolved by negotiation, the Kuwaitis were hustled away from the bordes of journalists assembled on a

ment to name a price for the

renewal of each commercial

station franchise, rather than

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At a private meeting with the Home Secretary, Mr Donglas Hurd, they will also

suggest that the Government's

wish to see market forces

operate more effectively in

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Although the Cabinet com-

ing the ITV franchises when

they expire in 1992, ministers,

are "favourably minded" to

the idea. That is worrying ITV

chiefs, who argue that selling

franchises to the highest bid-

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that he did not think the lawn within sight of the hi-Their Algerian hosts man-aged the thinnest of smiles for the cameras, as if all too aware

that the hard bargaining is still Before them on an aprop off the main runway the jet was shimmering in the gathering heat, framed against a distant

mountain range. From the moment it had touched down, three hours before dawn yesterday, with its cargo of long-suffering bostages, bone-weary crew, and hijackers with blood on their hands, the jet has been constantly in the lenses of scores of photographers and television crews, alert to the faintest movement behind the closed doors.

Fifty minutes after the whine of the engines had died away the airport control tower opened the first contact on Algerian soil.

Two hours later, another brief conversation took place in which the hijackers agreed in principle to receive an Algerian government official on board. As dawn rose, the country's Foreign Minister, Mr El-Hadi Khediri, was driven slowly out to the aircraft and mounted the steps to the front door.

Half an hour later he emerged to give the first news of the drama that was transfor the drains that was hans-ferred during the night to his country. There was nothing dramatic to say, Mr Khediri emphasized, blinking in the light of the flashguns. The hijackers had struck him as

They had repeated almost word for word their original demand for the release of their 17 comrades held in Kuwaiti jails for terrorism offences. "I was asked to convey these demands to the Kuwaiti delegation due to arrive here, and this I agreed to do. We also agreed to have a further face-to-face meeting after I have received the Kuwaiti

Choosing his words carefully, Mr Khediri said that the hijackers had promised to stay calm and use no violence." Did that mean, he was asked, they were not going to kill any more hostages? "I

can't answer that, because it Continued on page 22, col 2

The ITV team seeing Mr Hurd will be led by Mr David

McCall, chief executive of

Anglia, and will include the

managing directors of Thames

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Shaw, director of the ITV

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Commercial television chiefs programmes and put com-will today urge the Govern-panies survival in jeopardy.

takeovers of television be damaging because con-

mittee considering the future for reasons of programme

Airline food trolleys hid arms

From Robert Fisk Larnaca

The hijackers of the Kuwaiti airliner smuggled their weapons and explosives on board the Boring 747 in the aircraft's food trolleys at Bangkok Airport. Newly released hostages at Larnaca also said yesterday that the gunmen - of whom there are seven, most of them Lebanese - had booby-trapped the plane with wire and chocolate-coloured sticks

So serious were the hijackers that they all dressed in loose white shirts with "I Love Martyrdom" printed in Ar-abic on the front when they were at Larnaca Airport ou Tuesday. These were the shrouds" about which the gunmen talked over the radio to the control tower.

The reality behind the drama of Kuwait Airways flight KU 422 began to emerge yesterday in Larnaca General Hospital, where the 12 hostages released late on Tuesday were recovering under the care of Cypriot and Kuwaiti doctors. One of the Kuwaiti doctors. One of the passengers, Mr Muhammad Ali Ramadan, is an Egyptianborn American citizen who only escaped the discovery of his identity by hiding his US passport in his briefcase.

While Kuwaiti, Algerian and Western intelligence agen-cies yesterday desperately sought evidence of the identity and behaviour of the hijackers, who flew their 37 remaining captives to Algiers in the early hours of yesterday morning, freed hostages at Larnaca revealed to The Times that: the gummen tied the wrists of all the passengers, hitting them if they attempted to look out the windows.

• they had Israeli-made Uzi sub machine guns, grenades and stick explosives with wire which they used to rig up the plane as a bomb.

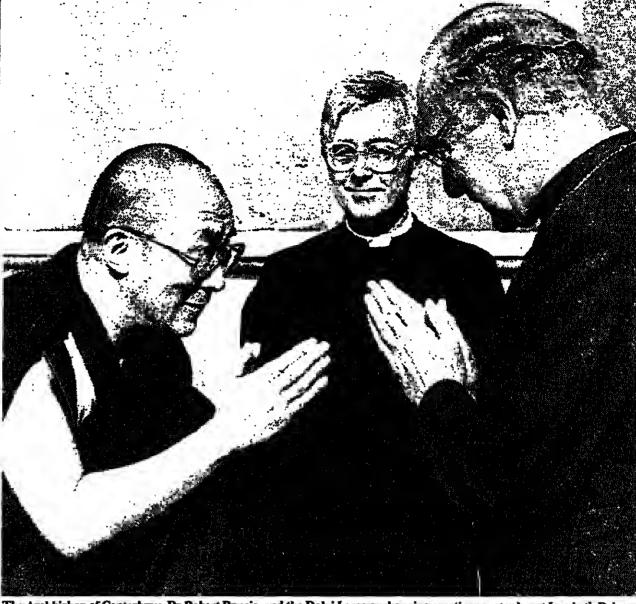
• they were seen pulling their weapons from the food vol-leys in the comemy section as the Boeing flew through Indian airspace.

• there were seven hijackers "calm but very determined". on the plane, at least four of They had repeated almost whom had Lebanese accents. • the hijackers tried to find any Americans oo board.

> The luckiest passenger was undoubtedly Mr Ramadan, an Egyptian mechanical engineer who has been a US passport holder since 1978. "When they asked about anyone who had been to America, I immediately hid my passport in my briefcase," he said. "I put it behind the last of the back flaps of my briefcase and they did not search the hand luggage of the passengers, thanks be to God, so they never found it. I gave them only my Egyptian passport when they collected the iden-

tity documents. I am the most Continued on page 22, col 7

When two faiths meet in London



The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, and the Dalai Lama exchanging greetings yesterday at Lambeth Palace.

British Airways engineers re-

paired a damaged nose wheel

on the 737 after earlier towing

The Air Accident Investiga-

tion Branch at Farnborough,

Hampshire, started its own

investigation. However, a re-

expected to be published for at

least six months. The pilots will not fly again until the

An air traffic controller,

aged 35. of Horsham, Sussex,

whose alertness prevented a

collision, is on two days'

leave. A Gatwick spokesman

confirmed last night that his

speed of thought prevented

an incident becoming an

accident". He said: "Gatwick

Airport Limited congratulates

the controller for his prompt

There was also commenda-

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pilot, who responded "quickly

and positively" hy swerving off the runway. The British

Islands BAC 1-11 pulled up

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Pilots 'mistook unlit taxiway for runway'

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

Two pilots were being questioned last night after allegations that they mistook an unlit taxiway for a runway and forced a British Airways 737 jet to slew into thick mud to avoid a head-on crash.

The two, a training captain, aged 47, and a pilot, aged 43, who was making one of his last flights before being promoted to captain, had been given permission to land on temporary runway 200 metres north of the main runway which was closed for resur-

facing. The British Island Airway BAC 1-11 jet was was on an apparently normal approach carrying 112 passengers and crew on a flight from Venice.

At 10.15pm, the pilot of the British Airways 737, with 113 passengers bound for Rhodes, was given permission to taxi parallel to 08 and hold before turning right at the end of the runway in preparation for take-off. It had been delayed for 15 minutes because of a minor technical hitch.

The British Airways cahin crew, both on loan to the airline from an Irish aircraft The pilots were summoned leasing company, could see the landing lights of the Britto the British Island Airways office at Gatwick last night as ish Island jet approaching in

clear skies to the west. However, instead of heading for the runway 100 metres to the south, it suddenly appeared to be heading

straight for them. Air traffic controllers immediately ordered the pilot to port on the incident is not steer off the runway. According to officials, he had no

Graphic.

alternative but to swing hard right, driving the 737 off the runway, over short grass and into thick mud, with its tail protruding over the taxiway.

It emerged yesterday that the British Island Airways cabin crew would have known that the main runway was closed. The emergency runway was lit hy regulation landing lights and the glare of terminal buildings.

However, the pilots pointed the nose of the aircraft further left to the taxiway, which is unlit and only half

the width of the main runway.

Abortion Bill 'needs new limit'

Chief Political

Attempts to reform the abortion law are doomed unless Mr David Alton MP amends his Bill to make the legal limit 24 weeks, senior ministers believe.

Opponents of Mr Alton's Bill, which aims to reduce the time limit for abortions from 28 to 18 weeks, yesterday reported strong support for an amendment to be tabled for the report stage on May 6,

Mr Andrew MacKay, Conservative MP for Berkshire East, who wrote to more than 250 Tory MPs this week to canvass backing for the amendment, said several MPs who supported the Bill on second reading had expressed support for the 24-week limit. Mr Alton, Liberal MP for Mossley Hill, yesterday re-

fused to accept that a 24-week limit was the only way it would become law.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta appeared at a Commons press conference with Mr Alton 10 support the Bill, and later appealed to Mrs Thatcher at a Downing Street meeting for Continued on page 22, col 5 | her backing.

Name a franchise Social security debate

MP suspended amid uproar

Rowdy scenes engineered by performance in this par-left-wing Labour MPs domi-nated the highly charged MPs squirming in their seats, emergency debate on social However, a Labour motion ecurity benefit changes in the Commons yesterday.

The anger spilt over into attacks on the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill. Mr Eric Heffer, a candidate

for the party's deputy leader-ship, shouted at him: "You stupid man". Mr Bob Clay, the Labour MP for Sunderland North, called him "a Tory stooge" and Mr Dave Nellist (Coventry South-East) was named and suspended from the Commons chamber after clashing constantly with Mr Weatherill during the speech by Mr John Moore, the Social Services Secretary.

The Labour interruptions detracted from the impact of a cutting speech by Mr Robin Cook, Labour's Social Services spokesman, which was the most effective Opposition

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

However, a Labour motion attacking the changes was defeated by 311 votes to 215, a

Government majority of 96. Mr Cook issued a catalogue of the Government's dealings with social security. He said it

Parliament. had abolished the link between pensions and earnings. leaving the pension for a married couple £14 lower than it otherwise would have been.

It had abolished short-term sickness benefit and the earnings-related supplement and taken what remained of unemployment benefit into taxation, it had failed to up-rate child benefit, leaving it 10 per cent lower in real terms than it had been in 1979.

Ministers asserted that only 12 per cent would be worse

off, but that figure was based on estimates, not on a careful census of the eight million people affected.

No organization which had studied the impact of the changes agreed with the Government's estimate.

Mr Cook, who was cheered and clapped by Labour MPs as he ended, said there was a 'shaming contrast" between the tax cuts in March and the

benefit cuts in April. Mr Moore, speaking quietly because of a further throat infection, said in a low key defence of the changes: "You cannot move away from an old, complex, unbalanced and unsatisfactory system to something clearer and more equitable without having both

gainers and losers". The old system had been incoherent and immoral. It was a recipe for complexity,

confusion and anomaly.

der would affect the quality of cide who was successful, Computer in a tantrum holds up 'baby' project

By Robert Matthews **Technology Correspondent**

A computer built at Imperial College, London as a crude simulation of the human mind has startled its creators by going on strike and refusing to cooperate with their work.

Mr Michael Gera, a scientist in the Neural Computing Group at the college, said yesterday that the computer, known as a neural net, had simply refused to carry on with its lessons when it was given a task it considered beneath its capabilities: You might say it had an attack of boredom".

Mr Gera and his colleagues had designed the machine to test a theory about the way in which human babies I learn to communicate. They at-

tempted to simulate the workings of a baby's mind by instructing the computer to turn itself into a "neural net", a collection of dozens of electronic devices which mimic the operation of neurous, or brain cells. Some theories in psychology claim

that babies learn to talk to their parents by babbling randomly, and looking for responses. For example, babbling that sounds like "mama" wins a response, with mother pointing in herself. The baby then remembers that "mama" corresponds to the object doing the pointing. In the first set of experiments with the machine at Imperial, Mr Gera tronic equivalent of a sensible word, the machine was given a suitable response. Sure enough, the machine soon picked up a crude "vocabulary".

Mr Gera has gone a step further in a second set of experiments, still under way. The machine is told that a specific object it is being shown corresponds to the electronic equivalent of, say, a black cat. Later, another type of cat is shown to the machine, which is then expected to recognize quickly that this new object is also a cat, and say the word accordingly.

However Mr Gera has made the unnerving discovery that unless the switched on the neural network and objects shown to the machine are sufficiently different and exciting, it let it babble away. When the machine goes into a huff. He said: "It just sits hit upon a sequence of babbling that there and goes on strike". Mr Gera had decided was the elec-

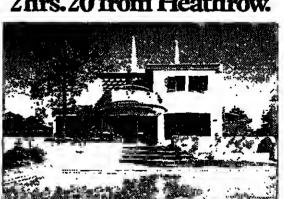
The Imperial team, led by Professor Igor Aleksander, has seen the machine throw its weight about on a number of occasions.

The long-term aim of the research is to develop neural nets capable of tasks still beyond today's most powerful computers. Those "supercomputers" are excellent at tasks such as solving equations, but virtually useless at problems requiring intelligence.

However, events suggest that the next generation of computers will have to be taught good behaviour before they can be given respon-

Mr Adrian Redgers, another mem-ber of the team, said: "Neural nets are a little unruly sometimes. We don't know enough about them to put them in charge of, say, a nuclear reactor."

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They were found half a mile from the boy's former home in the village of Little Gomersall, near Bradford. Last night police were still unable to disclose how the boy died.

He disappeared after wandering from his home to follow his brother Paul, aged four, who had gone to visit an aunt. The remains were discovered in a shallow grave last Thursday near a playing field in nearby Cleckheaton. Police withheld an announcement until relatives of the boy had

Last night a man detained in Telford, Shropshire, was being questioned by West Yorkshire police.

Child trapped in flat

A boy aged three was trapped in his home for three days while his mother lay inside dying of meningitis. Philip Smith tried to raise the alarm by pushing toys, books and paper through the letterbox of his mother's flat in Fox Hill, Bath, Avon. Neighbours saw the boy with his face up against the letterbox, but be was too shocked to shout and too small to open the door. When police broke in they found Miss Christine Smith, aged 31, had died hours earlier. The boy told officers: "My mummy is asleep and won't wake up. She fell out of bed." He was taken into care by social services, and may undergo tests to see if he is infected with meningitis.

Brain damage award

A boy who suffered catastrophic brain damage when a baby because of a doctor's negligence has been awarded £530,000 damages. Steven Lomax, aged 15, of Ullswater Close, Little Lever, Bolton, Lancashire, was aged four months when the doctor failed to diagnose gastro-enteritis. He became dehydrated and suffered a cardiac arrest leading to brain damage, his counsel, Mr Richard Clegg, QC, said in the High Court in Manchester yesterday. The award with costs was against Dr Bernard Higgins, of Rishton Lane, Bolton.

Nuclear station faults

The Central Electricity Generating Board is facing a bill of millions of pounds to enable one of its ageing nuclear reactors to meet the demands made by the Nuclear Installatinns Inspectorate. A long-term safety review for the Berkeley nuclear power station in Gloucestershire yesterday listed 17 key demands that must be met if the station is to continue operating beyond next year.

Alps deaths inquiry

The Salzhurg state prosecution office will decide within the next few days whether to proceed against three teachers who accompanied a party from Altwood School, Maidenhead, Berkshire, to Austria where four boys from the school fell to their deaths on a mountain. Berkshire County Council announced yesterday that it is to hold an inquiry of its own.

Drug plans unveiled

New drugs to fight the main causes of premature death are promised by research programmes unveiled by Britain's two biggest pharmaceutical companies. ICI has launched a £3 billion research programme while Glaxo is to spend. £500 million on a drug discovery centre in Stevenage, Hertfordshire, part of a £1 billion investment. ICI has earmarked £14 million for the production of a drug to treat

'Haunted house' plea

A couple who claimed their council house was haunted have been given High Court permission to oppose a Nottingham City Council ruling that they should not be rehoused. Mr Justice Nolan granted leave yesterday after being told the council had a duty to inquire into the case. Mr John Costello and his wife, Helen, who have two daughters, say they were forced out of the home in Melbourne Road, Aspley.

Girl held on murder

A girl aged 12 who is accused of murdering Carol Baldwin, aged 13, at a park near her home at Thorplands, Northampton, was remanded in care for a week by magistrates at Northampton Juvenile Court yesterday. Carol was stabbed in the back on March 26. Craig Staton, aged 17, of Northampton, who has been charged with murder, has been released on bail by the High Court until April 27.

Brilliance

defeats

Speelman

The hopes of Jonathan

Speelman were dashed in round 10 of the Swift World

Chess Cup in Brussels when

he was beaten by Anatoly

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Music and muesli for the inner city roadshow

Over a breakfast consisting, in part, of muesli and Greek yoghur, and to the inspiring sounds of Ravel and Elgar, the Government yesterday aunched its drive to encourage businessmen to help to revive the

Mr Kenneth Clarke, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and the minister co-ordinating the regen tion programme, played host to 225 North-east businessmen in the first of six "Action for Cities" breakfasts.

Yesterday's event, starting at 7.30am, was held at a recreation centre in a large shopping complex in the centre of Newcastle upon

During the next 10 weeks similar meetings will be held in Leeds, Manchester, Birmingham, Liverpool and London. By the end of the exercise Mr Clarke and Mr John Cope, the Minister for Employment, will have met up to 1,500 businessmen to explain directly the maze of government inner city

involvement in them.

His message is that by helping to make their communities more affluent the businessmen will increase their own profits.

"We believe that you are the people, not Whitehall and not the town hall, who know best about getting enterprise back into the inner cities", Mr Clarke said. "It is not just a case of bulldozers crashing around but of giving hope back to those who live and work there."

The series of breakfasts is costing £500,000. The food, ministerial aids explained yesterday, averaged only £4.50 a head. The rest went on elaborate audio-visual presenta-tions, information packs and hiring

Vesterday's event owed more to the Oscar ceremonies of Hollywood than a typical government presenta-tion. In a darkened room the audience was swamped with music, by Ravel and Elgar. A video film traced the history of Britain's cities

since the days of the Victorians through industrial development, war-time destruction and post-war re-building to the urban blight of today. It also highlighted some of the successes already achieved.

Quotations from Florence Night-ingale, G B Shaw, Samuel Smiles and Trus Salt echoed across the public address system extolling the virtues of development with a social conscience. Then Mr Clarke, followed by Mr Cope, stepped up, bathed in spotlights, to deliver their

Mr Clarke urged his audience to emulate the leadership and vision of their Victorian ancestors by becoming involved in schemes to revive the inner cities. It made economic as well as social sense, be said.

There were already 300 private sector companies working with the 16 government task forces, 3,000 firms involved in various enterprise agencies and a further 100,000 in youth training schemes. Mr Clarke said the Government would spend

£3 billion on the inner cities this year and he wanted to see more firms joining in.

"We now have the best opportunity for years to regenerate the cities. We are not going to succeed overnight but we can start to transform the lives of some of the people who live there today", he

After the 45-minute presentation, which some in the audience described as "over-hyped", the businessmen were able to chat with the two ministers and to officials from the various agencies involved in the inner cities regeneration

As they left the working breakfast to go to their offices the business-men were handed an "action pack" bearing a message from the Prime Minister urging them to join a partnership between government, commerce and industry.

They were also each given a construction worker's hard hat,

bearing the slogan "Action for

Cities". • The government-appointed coro The government-appointed cor-poration responsible for the £500 million redevelopment of Car-diff's docklands was criticized yes-terday for holding up private investment in the project.

Private companies have been urged by Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Wales, to take an active

part in the redevelopment of the run-down dockland area. Avatar, a joint venture company established by London and Edinburgh Trust ple and Balfour Beatty Ltd, which submitted plans for a £30 million marina development surrounded by nearly 450 houses and flats, said the Cardiff Bay Development Corporation's first act was to serve notice of intended compulsory purchase on the 17-acre waterfront site, effectively blocking progress on the development. The corporation denied that there had been any unnecessary delays.

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More Tories join rebellion against community charge

By Our Political Staff

The Conservative backbench rebellion over the community charge was gaining strength last night as the number of MPs backing an attempt to relate it to people's ability to pay rose to 46.

The threat of the Government's majorily being severely cut next Monday grew as the leader of the Tory campaign, Mr Michael Mates, MP for Hampshire East, made plain that he would not be bought off by any con-cessions that fell short of a change in the flat-rate nature of the charge.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for the Environment, is to address the Conservative environment committee tonight in an attempt to head off next week's

His aides have made it clear he has no intention of giving ground on the basic principle that the community charge for an area should be the same for

not rule out the possibility of the charge for those not paying some flexibility in the Government's approach. He said repeatedly that he was listening to those Tories who were worried, though their message appeared to be somewhat

"Some have objections of principle, some to certain aspects and details. To the extent possible, we will try to meet their problems."

It is thought any concessions may include more generous rebates.

Mr Mates said after addressing a meeting of the environ-ment committee last night: "That is not going to be enough. It must address the question of ability to pay. People at the upper end have got to pay more,

About fifty MPs attended the meeting, and the large majority of speakers sup-ported Mr Mates. His plan is to have three rates of commu-At a press conference yes-terday to launch the Conser-vative local government elec-tions campaign Mr Ridley did higher rate tax, and only half

Help for drivers in London

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

A large-scale pilot scheme wild, it was said justiciary.

Mr Paul Channon, Sec. Airport.

Mr Channon said it was

guidance system to give relary of State for Transport, Mr Channon said it was motorists the best routes for made the announcement hoped to mount a pilot

onstrate how the system

works. The present scheme

consists of five beacons,

mounted on traffic light posts,

which provide information to

computers installed in cars to

guide them on a route from

A large-scale pilot scheme M25, it was said yesterday.

travelling in London is when he launched a much

planned by the Department of smaller scheme to dem-

Last night the Opposition front bench agreed to back the

Mates proposal.

In a letter to Mr Roy Hattersley, deputy leader of the Labour Party, Mr Ridley said Labour's proposal to replace the existing rating system with capital value rating plus a local income tax would require not only a register of names and addresses as did the community charge but the inclusion of residents' income tax status, "a highly objectionable

Labour is making Mrs Thatcher and the proposed community charge the centrepiece of its plans to gain seats. The Prime Minister features prominently on the poster issued by the Labour Party

Dr John Conningham, Labour environment spokesman, nity charge, standard rate for said the party could not realistically expect to improve on its historically strong position in local government.

Westminster to Heathrow

scheme using 300 beacons and

involving 1,000 specially equipped cars by 1990.

It is suggested that the cost

to a user of the scheme, to be

developed by private industry,

might be about £250 for the

equipment, plus an annual licence fee of about £25.

Geoffrey Smith, page 10

MPs back nurses' rise

Nurses listening to speakers yesterday at their rally (Photograph: Alan Weller).

Mr Nicholas Winterton, the Conservative backbencher, yesterday called on the Government to fully find this year's nurses pay award as thousands of members of the Royal College of Nursing travelled to London today to press Mrs Margaret Thatcher to back the review.

The nurses were supported at a rally at Central Hall, Westminster by Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, Mr David Steel of the SLD and Mr Winterton, vice-chairman of the all-party social services select committee.

Mr Winterton said it would be authinkable for the Government to decide not to give the nurses everything the review recommen The Government is on record as saying it will implement the recommendations of the review body unless there are clear and compelling reasons not to", he added. "My message is that there can be no such reason.

 The Royal College of Surgeons has given training recognition to a junior doctor post in the Humana Hospital Wellington, a private hospital in north-west London, for the first time as part of a radical deal between the health service and the private sector involving the rotation of four surgical posts. The scheme, under which the health service will get a free junior cardiac surgery post, could pave the way for the private sector to provide a much greater input into training health service staff by providing both finance and facilities.

The Humana will provide £42,000 to fund the salaries of two senior house officers who will rotate with two existing posts at St Mary's Hospital in Paddington.

Solicitors' Complaints Bureau

The scheme could have the

same effect on traffic when it

is fully developed and ex-

tended throughout London as

the construction of a second

Transport.

Cases taking year to check

By Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Solicitors' Complaints Bureau is taking up to a year to investigate complaints by the public alleging shoddy work by solicitors.

In one case, still unresolved, a woman from Bath complained to the bureau in April 1987 that her former solicitors had failed to pay her expert witness, a surveyor, in a building dispute. The sur-veyor took legal action against her to claim the money.

Scirawan; Sax drew with Niko-lic; Karpov beat Speelman; And-ersson drew with Ljubojevic; Salov drew with Sokolov; Nog-ueiras drew with Nunn; Portisch Three months after her complaint was lodged, the bureau told her it had written to her former solicitors, drew with Beliavsky; Tal adrequesting the file. Two journed against Timman. months later, she was told the file had been passed to a Leading scores: Karpov 7 pts; Beliavsky 6 out of 9; Salov 6; Portisch 5½ out of 9; Speelman specialist in the bureau's re-

port-writers' section. In January this year she wrote for information and was told by letter the matter was being dealt with. She has heard nothing since.

She said: "I read that this bureau was being set up to take over the handling of complaints from the professional purposes committee have been lodged, of which 44

Laws to impose a limit on the firms of accountants, face a amount of damages that can be grave risk of bankruptcy. awarded in cases of pro-fessional negligence are called for in a draft report from the International Bar Association.

The association, with some 11,000 members in 120 countries, is concerned about the high cost and lack of availability of indemnity insurance in the face of mounting numbers of negligence claims and ever-increasing damages awards.

It says many professionals especially many international

reau was to speed things up."

shoddy work — poor work which falls short of negligence or professional misconduct came in on January 1 last year. Since them, 484 complaints

The report comes at a time

when the Government has set np an inquiry, after repeated requests from the professions, into professional liability. The proposed legislation would provide for compulsory insurance up to a figure ade

quate to ensure that people recovered their damages in

ference in Argentina in September.

of the Law Society because it had been slow in dealing with complaints and this had caused bad feeling among the public. Of course, people want their complaints dealt with thoroughly, but I thought the whole point of this new bu-

The bureau's new powers to investigate allegations of

The final report will go to the association's biannual con-

per cent have been concluded although many may have come in late in the year.

A bureau spokesman said z year to process some complaints was not unusual and was "probably about an average". Later she said that for most complaints, six months was more likely although she "would not be surprised" if

some took a year. Investigations, to be done properly and thnroughly, were necessarily lengthy, she said. Solicitors were often slow in

handing over the files

New talks

By Craig Seton

Hopes of averting a strike by Jaguar car workers rose yesterday after management and unions reopened talks on the introduction of increased productivity levels.

management team and fulltime union officials, continued last night. Jaguar made clear that if the talks failed it would impose the plan to increase output by 92 cars a week from Monday.

ern Europe.

Union officials at Ford in Dagenham, east London, warned that the introduction of staggered lunch-breaks to eliminate lucrative overtime payments would be resisted.

lift hopes at Jaguar

The negotiations, between a

Jaguar said both sides had

agreed to take no action while talks continued.

 Ford of America is expected to make an announcement within two months on where to relocate the cancelled Dundee electronics plant. The company said yesterday it had been vigorously lobbied by almost every country in West-

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able value.

Privatization to take blame The average home can expect

Increase in water bills

to pay steep increases in its Luxembourg water bill in the next few Objectors say that the EEC limit is arbitrary, and that possible links between nitrate The rises result from demands for "purer" drinking water, and from the introducintake and a few relatively rare diseases in Europe, such as stomach cancer and the sotion of metering to replace the called "blue baby syndrome" present charges based on rate-

are unproven.

A time limit for compliance However, the increases will come after the 10 regional has not yet been set, and the Cahinet is still debating the authorities in England and Wales are privatized, probably issue of who should meet the costs: farmers, who are in the autumn of next year, and users are certain to assoprimarily responsible, by the ciate the two developments. application of nitrogen fer-tilizers to their crops; or The Government's recent announcement that it in-

consumers, by way of higher water bills to pay for treattended to implement an EEC ment for nitrate removal. directive on the nitrate con-tent of water supplies has The Government is considering designating "water pro-tection zones", where the use caught the authorities on the hop. Four authorities, Thames, Anglian, Severn-Trent and Yorkshire, had until recently been granted exemptions from complying with the EEC limit of Somg a of fertilizers would be restricted. Mr John Simpson, operations director of Anglian Wat-

er, the largest authority geographically, blames scare-mongering for the present concern about the quality of decision and concern about the quality The Government is understood in have acted on legal drinking water supplies. advice after the European He said: "Present thinking Commission threatened to seems to be that, unless you take the matter to the Euro-

pean Court of Justice in can prove that something doesn't do any harm, you must assume that it does. Water has always contained minute quantities of this and that, but the difference is that nowadays we have the means to measure them.

> Legislation to change the status of the present regional authorities to that of public limited companies is expected to be enacted before the end of this year.

They will have responsibility for water supply and sewage disposal, while land drainage, flood defences, pollution control, fisheries, conservation, recreation and navigation will devolve upon a new National Rivers Authority.

Experimental metering sys-tems are to be installed in a number of areas in Britain within the next year or so.

 Yorkshire Water Authority hopes to cover buildings, equipment and drainage on 18 farms a day in Wharfedale this month in its first concentrated survey to belp farmers eradicate systems and practices likely to cause pollution.

Stress drives more people to work from home

By John Spicer, Employment Affairs Correspondent Rocketing house prices, the shortage of high-technology skills and the tax, pensions and confidentiality. There was also the difficulty of stresses of commuting to work are communication between workers and leading in a rapid acceleration of management

home-working, a leading computer consultant told a London conference On-site workers had mutual support and praise from their employers but at home those advantages did not Mr Frits Janssen, managing director exist. A better system of remote management had to be developed. of IT World, an information technology consultancy, said at a three-day human resources development con-There were, however, many advanference at the Barbican that where the

tages in home working for employer and employee. Such overheads as rent, rates and heating were reduced and the home environment tended to increase productivity by between 10 and 30 per cent. Working hours were more flexible and staff stayed longer with one employer.

For the employee, home working meant no expensive travel and a move of home did not mean a move of job. At home disability was irrelevant and women with families to look after could still contribute.

Mr Janssen said Britain was leading the world in the concept of remnte working. Many insurance companies were looking at it seriously and the Civil Service, with 500,000 employ-ees, had launched a study. He said estimates varied from between 15 per cent and 50 per cent of the population being employed at home by the end of the century.

The conference was told that the Government was failing to prepare

the British people for the changes that will affect everyone's lives after the unification of Europe in 1992. Ministers must remedy that failure if they were to avaid alarm throughout the

Mr Jeremy Harrison, a consultant on training policy to the European Commission, said the changes would be social as well as technological.

He called for an integrated system across EEC boundaries to deal with human resources, training and skill requirements. "If we are going to have a European approach, one must build into it the concept that the people will have to be prepared to work in a world of rapid evolution."

Poet speaks up for the word By Philip Howard, Literary Editor

Mr Tony Harrison blew a trumpet blast for the power of the word against the world in his presidential address to the Classical Associ-ation at Bristol University. He said on Tuesday night that in the late twentieth century only the Muses — poetry, tragedy, and larguage itself — could help us to face the frenzy and des-pair of what Hesiod described as the fifth age, the Age of Iron.

"The highest art is to say yes to life. But the spirit of affirmation has almost been burnt out of us. In reaction to our century's terrible events there has been a retreat from the word."

The age of poetry was almost dead. There had been an erosion of the affirmative spirit. The Muses themselves were weary in a century when Japanese babies were born with grey hair as a result of the atomic bombs.

Mr Harrison, whose work combines formal

classical eloquence with the vernacular of street speech, said that language had to take on anything, especially the worst things in the world. The theatre allowed us to look the worst in the face without being turned to stone. The ancient Greek theatre let spectators share the terror with their fellow andience, ins-

tead of being separated by arm rests and darkness. The masks of the ancient theatre kept their eyes and mouths open to terrible events, and continued to answer the Muses. Mr Harrison said the education Bill meant that nobody from his working-class back-ground would be able to make his or her way to the great founding models of classical elo-quence again. He warned his audience that the

book-barners were abroad. Many of the aucient Greek poets and artists would have been harassed and hanned by the new-barbarians under Clause 29.

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Authority, is today's outright

winner of the £4,000 first

prize to the Portfolio Gold

Mr Graham Wynn, of

Ludlow Drive, Thame, Ox-

fordshire, is a keen gardener

and hopes to put his winnings towards a conser-

vatory at his home. He intends to put any residue towards a holiday in Ireland, with his Irish wife, Rita, and

Mr Wynn, aged 56, over-

sees research into nuclear fusion, which is aimed at

controlling forces to produce

He said: "It was a wonder

ful surprise and it certainly made the day. The only other

prize I have ever won was a

half-bottle of gin in a raffle.

Partners

in dispute

over theft

By Michael Horsnell

The part-time employment of

police officers on a security

contract run by a private

detective agency led to dis-

putes between the company?

two partners, an inquest was told yesterday.

The partner oppposed to hiring officers, Mr Danny

Morgao, was found dead with

an axe through his face in a south London public house

The jury at Southwark Coroner's Court, was told how

Mr John Rees, the other partner, used off-duty detec-

tives as security officers for a

firm of car auctioneers. Mr

Rees was robbed of £18,000 of

Belmont Car Auctions' tak-

Mr Peter Newby, the former

office manager at the agency, Southern Investigations, said:

about the whole of the robbery

and that the money had been

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years as victim tells of 'barbaric act'

The toughest sentence handed tempts by the police on the down in an Irish court, other than for the killing of a O'Hare's speech drew scalpoliceman, last night sent Dessie O'Hare, the so-called Border Fox', to jail for 40

A special conn consisting of three judges sitting without a jury sentenced O'Hare, aged 29, to 20 years for the kidnapping of dentist John O'Grady and a further 20 years for hacking off the tops off two of Mr O'Grady's fingers.

O'Hare, who pleaded guilty, will also serve a concurrent 15-year sentence for possessing a firearm with jotent to kill when he was captured and wounded by Irish police at a road checkpoint in County Kilkenny last November.

In a further display of their determination to show no leniency towards terrorists who use "Irish unity" to justify their actions, the judges also jailed O'Hare's second-incommand, Edward Hogan, aged 33, for 40 years - 20 for the O'Grady abduction and 20 years for the attempted murder of a policeman who tried to rescue the dentist.

Describing Mr O'Grady's abduction oo October 14 last year as "a barbaric act", Mr Justice Liam Hamilton, the presiding judge, said: "It requires the mere recital of the facts to establish the brutality of these cold-blooded acts perpetrated for the purpose of terrorizing Mr O'Grady's family to pay the ransom."

O'Hare, showing no remorse, made a 10-minute speech from the dock blaming Britain, Ireland, the IRA, prison officers, the police and his intended kidnap victim, Dr Austin Darragh, a mil-lionaire, for his brutal treatment of Mr O'Grady, Dr Darragh's son-in-law.

O'Hare attributed the loss of O'Grady's fingers to Dr Darragh's "selfish intransi-gence" in not paying a £1.5 million ransom and to at-

Gold thief

'knew of

home deal'

By Stewart Tendler

Crime Reporter

The girl friend of one of the

Brink's Mat robbers kept bim

constantly informed in prison

as proceeds from the £26 mil-

lion raid were used to buy her

a £250,000 bome, the Central

Criminal Court was told

Extracts from letters written

by Mrs Kathken Meacock to

Michael McAvoy, serving 25

years for the gold bullion

Mr Nicholas Purnell, QC,

for the prosecution, alleged

that Turpington Farm at Bickley, south-east London,

was bought with cash from a

Meacock, who later became

McAvoy's second wife, and eight others have pleaded not

guilty to charges iovolving the

transportation or use of cash

proceeds from the 1983

When arrangements were

made for McAvoy's then wife

Jacqueline to have a £150,000

home, also in Bickley, a

mortgage application was made describing her as a fashion model earning £18,000 a year. Mr Purnell

said she was neither a fashion

The case continues today.

model nor earning £18,000.

robbery, were read out.

Swiss bank account

lives of members of the gang. tered applause from friends and relatives in the public

mouth and tied it behind my

"He then told somebody,

whom I presumed to be one of

the three miders, to stand on

my hand. Then I felt some-

thing on my little finger and

then there was a bang like a

hammer coming in contact

pain in this hand and I

realized that he had cut off my

little finger. I could feel the

"Then I could feel more

severe pain again, and I realized that he was cauteriz-

ing my little finger with some-thing hot."

Mr O'Grady went on to

disclose that he was later brought into another room where a sheet had been put

and to hold his hands up to

show the stumps of his two

Three other members of

O'Hare's gang, were sentenced yesterday. Fergal Toal, 25, was given 20 years. Anthony McNcill, 25, was given 15 years and Gerard Wright, 45,

was given seven years for providing two "safe" houses in which Mr O'Grady was

A teenager accused of

involvement in the attack on

two corporals murdered dur-

ing an IRA funeral was today refused bail at Belfast High

Anthony Gallagher, 17, of

Cherry Gardens, Twinbrook,

"Then I felt excruciating

with a chisel.

blood flowing.

fingers,

heid prisoner.

Players 'squared'

up', court told

By Kerry Gill

by a piece of chair."

Chief Constable.

Earlier, défence counsel

protested at the slow progress

dence, if you can call it

Mr Marshall said the at-

mosphere at an Old Firm game was "tribal" with songs

from Rangers supporters

deriding "the Pope and the

IRA", and Celtic supporters "the Queen and the UDA".

matches were regularly ac-

companied by violence. The

hearing continues today.

Mr Moir said that Old Firm

that day.

A written statement from Mr O'Grady, which was read in court, revealed that he never doubted that he would be murdered by O'Hare if the ransom demand for his release was not paid by Dr Darragh.

But Mr O'Grady had no prior warning that O'Hare would chop off the tops of two of bis fingers. He described O'Hare as

very volatile and unpredictable and was mostly On November 3 O'Hare became especially agitated and ordered Mr O'Grady to

write a new ransom note to his "After I had written the note, he (O'Hare) took it away where a sheet had been put and closed the door." Mr around the wall. He was told O'Grady testified. "He was to take off blackout glasses

wearing a balaclava when he

was dictating the note." Later that day O'Hare brought Mr O'Grady ioto aoother room in the hideout house in the Cabra district of Dublin. "He made me lie face down on the floor. This appeared to be a small room, Then the leader tied my legs together.



O'Hare is driven away to jail

tolerated if it had happened

on the streets, senior police

Inspector James Moir told Glasgow Sheriff Court: "I

don't think that kind of con-

duct should be tolerated in

any circumstances. If that

happened on the street, all

four would have been in

Terry Butcher, aged 29, Graham Roberts, aged 28, and Chris Woods, aged 28, all of

Rangers, and Frank McAven-

Chief Supt William Mar-

shall told the hearing, before Sheriff Archibald McKay:

"They squared up to each other. If they hadn't been on a

football field I would have

thought they were about to

He agreed with Lord Mor-

ton, representing Mr Butcher,

that the player appeared to be

trying to separate Mr Woods,

the Rangers goalkeeper, and

Mr McAvennie, the Celtic

officers said yesterday.

Govan police office."

October 17.

start fighting."

Border Fox gets 40 | Moors mother told death facts

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Mrs Winifred Johnson with Det Chief Supt Peter Topping on the moors yesterday (Photograph: Andrew Stenning). By Ian Smith

After 23 years of mental torment Mrs Winifred Johnson was finally told yesterday how her son was lured at the age of 12 on to Saddleworth Monr and murdered by Ian Brady.

Details of her son's fate were disclosed to Mrs Johnson by Det Chief Supt Peter Topping, head of Greater Manchester CID, after he had spent three hours escorting her around the moorland site

where they believe Keith was buried.

He told ber that Keith Bennett was enticed into a car with Brady and Myra Hindley after being offered sweets and chocolates while walking to his grandmother's home. He was driven to Saddleworth Moor and persuaded to walk two miles to Shiny Brook, a lonely beauty spot, where he was straogled by Brady and buried.

Throughout their trek across Shiny

Brook, Mrs Johnsoo had repeatedly demanded to be told of the confessions in which both Brady and Hindley last year described the killing to police.

"In my heart I knew within days of his disappearance that my son would never be found alive. And I have tortured myself with nightmares about how he was kitled", Mrs Johnson said.

"Now I know that the end was quick

asked the Office of Fair

Trading to monitor the situa-

Sir Gordon told the MPs:

"Clearly it is part of my job to

examine all the evidence being

put to this committee, and

indeed your own report, along-

side my own regular annual monitoring . I will be considering all that with a view

to the possibility of a reference

of the petrol industry to the MMC."

In the face of hostile questioning Sir Gordon admit-ted that the big oil companies

control exerted by the com-

tion on a regular basis.

Fair trading chief makes double attack on pricing policies

Holiday firms deny 'rip-off' on levies

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

Holiday companies imposing last-minute surcharges are "ripping off" the public on a huge scale. Sir Gordon Borrie, Director General of the Office of Fair Trading, told MPs

Belfast, was remanded in custody to await trial on a charge He was immediately acof causing grievous bodily harm to Cpl David Howes. cused by Britain's largest tour company of "giving a false and very misleading impression". Thomson Holidays Cpl Howes and Cpl Derek Wood were shot dead after being taken from a car they and other tour firms said were travelling in at the surcharges were made solely funeral of IRA man Kevin to recover the extra cost of Brady in Andersonstown on March 19.

aviation fuel. Sir Gordon had told the Commons all-party trade and industry committee that the surcharges, ostensibly to cover increases in the price of avi-ation fuel, were without jus-tification and breached the code of practice of the Associ-ation of British Travel Agents

Brawling between four inter-national football players dur-of the game had been shown. "They seemed to me to have been brought about ing an "Old Firm" game
between Rangers and Celtic at
tbrox Stadium; Glasgow, last
year would never have been

Mr Moir said: "As a result
of this incident the crowd
erupted, I was struck in the
face by a 10 pence coin and I because tour operators had been pushing prices down so low to get people to sign up and were looking for any was hit on the back of the legs excuse to put them up a bit to make some profit margin on He admitted that he had not the holidays", he said.

taken any action against a Sir Gordon disclosed that player after the match, nor his office had taken the matter he reported the matter up with Abta, which had as a result announced that from Mr Marshall said he had this winter no surcharges made a report to the Procwould be imposed within 21 urator Fiscal the following days of a holiday beginning. Monday on the request of the

However, Sir Gordon not only wants the undertaking to

In a second initiative from the Office of Fair Trading, Sir Gordon hinted strongly yesterday that he is preparing to call in the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to investigate allegations of petrol price-fixing by the main oil

companies. MPs on the trade and industry committee had ac-cused him of "complacency" in the face of substantial evidence from the Petrol Retailers' Association, petrol station owners and others of widespread anti-competitive

The MPs, who have already exposed the fact that the big exposed the tact the oil companies routinely supply oil companies routinely supply other's stations, petrol to each other's station claimed Ibat they bad "carvedup" the market between them.

The petrol retailing industry was last investigated by the

be extended to holidays booked for this summer but is his wife and daughter when said that between the time its concerned that lour operators. concerned that lour operators they went to Cyprus with brochure had been produced should abide strictly by Abta's Horizon holidays at Easter. last April and Mr Ashton's code of practice, stating that no unnecessary surcharges

price .

maintenance.

There had been no recent increase in the price of aviation fuel to justify any of the surcharges being imposed by the tour operators, Sir Gordon said.

must be made.

The issue was raised by Mr Joe Ashton, Labour MP for Rassetlaw, who had had to pay

Sir Gordon agreed unreservedly when Mr Ashlon suggested the operators were ripping off the public by sending in the surcharges on the final account without any mention of these in their

Mr Ashton suggested that with 17 million people a year taking package holidays, and with surcharges averaging £4 to £5, the operators were making huge amounts from these surcharges. Sir Gordon agreed that "it must be a substantial sum of money".

Thomson Holidays, which carries about one in three of British holidaymakers going abroad, said there was no question of leading tour operators imposing surcharges in the hope of making extra

"Any surcharge we make is calculated 10 weeks before departure and solely reflects the extra cost to us of aviatioo fuel. We certainly do not make a penny profit from them."

"did not compete hard on Any surcharges were kept to a minimum. People flying from Gatwick to Malaga in He said the very strict June, one of the most popular panies on petrol stations and routes, would pay an extra their pricing levels came "very close" to filegal retail price £1.51 a head, 10 per cent going to the travel agent and the remainder to the airline.

Horizon, which claimed the said that between the time its departure at Easter fuel prices

had increased by 25 per cent. "We are certainly not ripping off anybody. At the time we produce our brochures, we are faced with a number of imponderables, including the cost of fuel. All surcharges do is cover our additional costs."

Horizon estimated that surcharges this summer would average £2 a head.

because of John Rees's involvement with police officers in the Belmoni affair." He named the officers as

car park.

Det Sergeant Sidney Fillery, Det Constable Alan Purvis and Del Constable Peler Fo-ley. Mr Newby said that Sergeant Fillery had joined Mr Rees at Southern Investigations after the death of Mr Morgan, aged 37.

Mr Newby said the agency had to lodge £10,000 with the High Court over the legal action taken by Belmont to regain its takings and that Mr Morgan was upset his firm

should have to pay. Mr Newby said: "He said he felt John had exceeded his authority as a partner. They had an agreement they would never carry cash in transit. The situation between them

had soured. He also told the inquest that Mr Rees had told him the night before Mr Morgan's

murder that he had got "the inger treatment from Sid".

Sid was Sergeant Fillery, ho did not like the way Mr Morgan behaved in a public

house they all used.

Mr Newby said Mr Morgan met his death after a meeting with Mr Rees in the Golden Lion at Sydenham, south London. Mr Rees was reluctant to answer police questions after a murder inquiry was launched, Mr Newby said.

The inquest continues today.

Charter firm sets sights on Australia nie, aged 28, of Celuc, deny Mr Donald McAulay, QC, for Mr Roberts, said: "The conducting themselves in a disorderly manner and four accused are paying for By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent committing a breach of the this case themselves. It is peace at the stadium on costing people money to sit here looking at useless evi-

Package holidays to Australia could soon replace the annual summer rush to Spain and Greece, according to Britain's second biggest airline.

Britannia Airways is confident that up to 200,000 British holidaymakers a year who are tired of charter flight holidays to Palma, Malaga, Alicante or Corfu would be prepared to pay up to three times for a holiday in Australia.

It has applied to the Civil Aviation Authority for a licence to operate charter flights to the southern continent. Mr Brian Christian, commercial director of Britannia Airways, said: "People who are

plans were part of the church's

role to provide for all the

prepared to spend £300 or £400 on a holiday are begioning to look further afield than the costas.

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An application for permission to sell

seat-only tickets, which would undercut the present cheapest scheduled return air fare, is likely to be opposed by British Airways and Qantas.

 More than a third of all foreign holidays last year were taken in Spain, the British Tourist Authority said yes-

• More than 15 million overseas visitors, equal to the record total of 15.600,000 visitors to Britain last year, would use the Channel Tunnet in its first year of operation in 1993, Mr John Lee, Minister for Tourism, told the Waterside 2000 conference at Bristol yesterday.

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Vicar describes anguish of loneliness By Ronald Fanx

A vicar whose plan to bring more evangelism to services has prompted bitter opposition among villagers said yesterday he had suffered loneliness because of the mis-

representation of his views. The Rev John Earp, of the Church of St John the Evangelist in Hartley Wintney, Hampshire, said only his closest friends knew what the last two to three years had been

like for him. Mr Earp, aged 69, and vicar of St John's for 26 years, said

there had been no chance to castors on the altar so it can, explain because protest meet- when needed, be moved closer explain because protest meet-ings had been held behind his back. Speaking on the second day of an ecclesiastical hearing at the church hall into his

plan, Mr Earp said he thought some people would leave the church, but he doubted there would be a mass exodus. "My experience is that parishes have a remarkable resilience." Changes Mr Earp wants to introduce include replacing the pews with chairs, which could be stacked away to make

room for dancing during ser-

their thoughts.

to the congregation. something that God has given

> ministry here". nncomfortable about modernstyle worship including the "kiss of peace" in which members of the congregation shake hands. His wife did not tike to be greeted in that way.

Mr Roger Kilgannon, chair-man of St John's finance and

Mr Brian Carlisle, church-warden and leader of the St Mr Earp said: "I believe it is John's Protectors, a group set me to do as part of my up to oppose the vicar's plans, accused Mr Earp of ruthless-

He said some people felt

ness in pressing his reforms The protesters had put forward a compromise which

would have allowed more space in front of the chancel steps for young people to hold their informal style of worship but this had been rejected without discussion. The hearing continues today.

Mugged thief barred from getting award

An Underground mugger who became a victim of violence on a bas failed yesterday in a High Court attempt to challenge a decision that he was not entitled to compensation.

Mr Justice Kennedy ruled that the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board had acted correctly last November when, because of his criminal record, it refused Mr Danny Taylor, aged 21, of Gants Hill liford, compensation for pain suffered when he was stabbed

vices. He has already put building committee, said the in the face and stomach. Tombstone artists sense a last-minute revival

Monumental masons, two-thirds of whom have been driven out of business since the end of the Second World War by the fashion for cremation, are praying for a resurrection of

popularity in the tombstone. Representatives from all branches of the burnan disposal business are meeting in Coventry this week. They will hear that there is a growing and largely unfulfilled demand from the

customer for their services. Cremation accounts for 67 per cent of all exits from British life, compared with only 5 per cent at the end of the war. But since 1983 the number of remains taken away from crematoria for disposal elsewhere has increased by 18 per cent, and the number ordered to be kept while relatives decide what to do with them has

increased by 53 per cent. Dr Frances Clegg, a bereavement counsellor, has worked with families who lost relatives at Zeebrugge or-King's Cross. She has completed a research project with Hull University which shows that the bereaved need memorials on which to concentrate

"Results show a significant tendency for regrets to follow cremation rather than burial", Dr Clegg concludes. "Some concern the choice of cremation as such but a substantial proportion arise from dissatisfaction with the subsequent location of the cremated remains. People spoke of not knowing where the ashes are, of wishing that the scattering or interment of ashes had been in a more

meaningful place, and of lacking a focus for their grief." Dr Clegg also says it is quite normal

for the bereaved to "actively interact" with a memorial. "Premature severance of the relationship by not allowing these needs to be mel may be just as harmful to someone working through

She found that nearly two-thirds of those she interviewed were helped by traving a memorial, and that a Book of Remembrance, sometimes the only memorial available at municipal cre-

their grief as the undue prolongation of mourning and attachment to the dead person", Dr Clegg says.

matoria, was inadequate. The efforts of monumental masons to reintroduce the headstone are resisted by crematona and diocesan

church authorities, who in their drive for easy maintenance of hallowed ground prefer their grass uncluttered.

There is plenty of room in most churchyards for the burial of cremated remains. However, the Rev Prebendary John Howe from Liebfield, Staffordshire, a delegate at this week's conference, said that his own diocese discouraged standing headstones for cremated ashes that were subsequently buried in churchyards, although it was prepared to allow small flat stones set into the grass.

Mr Sam Weller, director of the masons' public relations body, said: We have an instant disposal attitude towards life. People of the future will look at the cemeteries of today and say: 'What a dreadful civilization that must have been'."

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Police chiefs ready to defy authorities over plastic bullets

An overwhelming majority of would not themselves be in was not based on an accepchief constables say they would use plastic bullets in a riot, if they thought it necessary, irrespective of the views of their police authorities, a cooference of the Police Foundation, an independent research body, was told in Oxford yesterday.

Dr Robert Reiner, reader in authority's full support. crimicology at Bristol University, said io a paper that 71 per cent of the chief constables would take that action in those

He based his paper on interviews with 39 of the 43 chief constables in England

Dr Reiner asked bow they would haodle the situation if their police authority had expressly told them it was against the use of plastic

Only one said he would defer to the police authority's view, and there were highly exceptional circumstances in his relationship with his authority because of past

Ten said the question would never arise to their area, because they saw eye to eye with their authorities oo the issue. Most of those either

favour of using plastic bullets, tance that there were subor were undecided.

"Most chiefs added that they would either do their utmost to persuade the police authority of the rightness of their action, or that the issue would not arise in their area because they enjoyed their

"But if it came to the crunch they would act according to their professional understanding, irrespective of the police authority's position."

But 61 per cent of the chief constables favoured the establishment of a local police authority for London on the same basis as exists for the Dr Reiner believed that

response mainly reflected the genuine perception that the provincial chiefs benefit in the main from the relationship with their authorities, so long as these don't get out of

Although 53 per cent were against a fully independent system for investigating complaints against the police, 32 per cent were in favour, and 15 per cent were undecided.

The paper said: "Support for independent iovestigatioo

stantive deficiencies in internal police investigations or a lack of independence oo the part of Police Complaints Authority. It was seen as necessary to secure public confidence in the system."

Referring to central government influence, some chief constables cited instances where Home Office loterven-tion had extended to specific operations, although many maintained it did not.

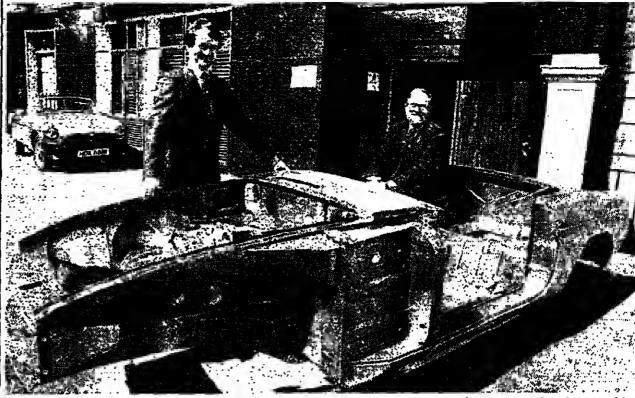
Cases of complaint against police io the Metropolitan Police area have fallen from almost 5,500 in 1979 to under 3,000 io 1987, Mr Mike Maguire and Dr Claire Corbett, of Oxford Univer-sity's Centre for Criminological Research, say in their paper to the conference.

There was some support for the explanation that the reductions were due to greater efforts by shift iospectors to allay grievances and dissuade people from making a formal complaint.

 The Home Secretary, M. Douglas Hurd, met Scotland Yard chiefs yesterday to discuss growing concern being expressed over the extent of freemasonry in the police.

King of open road rises again

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Mr David Bishop, manufacturing director of British Motor Heritage, left, and Mr Peter Mitchell, managing director, with a oewly built MGB shell. In the background is the last factory-built MGB, produced in 1980 (Photograph: Harry Kerr).

By Daniel Ward. Motor Industry Correspondent

The MGB is to rise again, eight years after being killed off when it was no longer economic to sell the two-seater in the United States, its biggest market.

New MGB body shells will begin rolling out of a modern factory unit at Faringdon, near Swindon, Wiltshire, next June to be snapped up by enthu-

Already, more than 100 MGB owners

are oo the waiting list, ready to spend more than £1,300 on a body shell built by the Rover Group's British Motor Heritage subsidiary, which ensures that the company's old cars can be restored with well-made spare parts.

Mr David Bishop , manufacturing director of the company, said: "We want to keep as many MGBs on the road as possible. We are not re-inventing the car but the new body shell will keep the MGB alive into the twenty-first century."

He said that almost all the parts to

build a new MGB were still available. An enthusiast could build one from scratch for less than £5,000.

The original tools and manufacturing jigs will be used by 10 workers to weld the body together from 250 separate steel

The company is proposing to revive other famous models, subject to the tooling being available. While it is too late to bring back the revered Healey 3000, there is hope for the "Frogeye" Sprite, the MG Midget and perhaps the Marsie Miner.

Rail union demands inquiry on brakes

By Roland Rudd

Rail travellers risk injury because of a faulty braking system, according to a dossier complied by Aslef, the train drivers' unico.

Mr Derrick Fullick, assistant general secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, says several recent train accidents were due to the Westcode brake. He adds: Management should order an immediate inquiry".

British Rail said: vestigations into accidents did not find any underlying factor. Brakes are definitely out the problem, although human error can be."

In this month's edition of the Locomotive Journal, the union has published a management directive to drivers telling them not to be "over-confident with the new Westcode brake fitted in class" 142 and class 150 traios". It also warns the drivers "oot to assume" a good brake.

The union dossier, compiled over nine years, alleges that the braking system "sim-ply fades away" at below 20 miles an hour.

Drivers also complaio of faults io a device intended to

prevent skidding and sliding. Mr Neil Milligan, Aslef general secretary, is meeting management on May 11.

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King's Cross inquiry

Wood escalators remain big risk

London Underground has still not faced up to the urgent need to replace wooden escalators, the inquiry into the King's Cross fire was told yesterday. The blaze, which killed 31 people, started at a wooden escalator.

At the moment the Underground aims to replace six of them a year with metal ones. Mr Roger Henderson, QC, counsel to the inquiry, questioned whether that rate was anywhere oear appropriate or acceptable in the light of the

If the worsening fire record of wooden escalators had been heeded there would have been a big improvement in the replacement rate, he said.

Twenty-one of the I18 escalators, 66 of which are the same as at King's Cross, are more than 50 years old; 54 are between 40 and 49 years old; and 20 are 30 to 39 years old.

A comprehensive report on escalator replacement sent by the Underground manage-ment to the Department of Transport last February was criticized by Mr Henderson for the way it failed to analyse which escalators were most at risk from fire.

Analysis had been done by officials of the inquiry, study-iog the thousands of Underground documents submitted for the report — but such analysis did not appear to have been done within the Underground itself.

"This is an important report and its cootents give rise to serious concern", Mr Henderson said.

He also read from documents dated between 1975 and the fire last November about the replacement pro-Although some documents

referred to fire risks, none conceded there was a big problem which meant wooden escalators should be replaced more quickly. Mr Henderson said: "I don't think there is such a document at all. Even now, when we come to 1988, London Underground itself doesn't appear to go that far."

Some of the documents were strongly financially ori-entated and the main hazards mechanical failure and catastrophic collapse.

The stated benefits of replacing wooden escalators with metal included ease of cleaning, and maintenance. The reduced fire risk was only briefly mentioned, Mr Henderson said, in spite of the considerable increase in the oumber of fires on wooden escalators in the past 15 years.

Management plans suggested there was not a serious addressing of issues which were at the heart of the inquiry, Mr Hendersoo said. The inquiry contiones today.

£1.2m raised from Liberace effects

The marathon sale of Liberace's effects was concluded in Los Angeles with a total of £1.2 million raised.

The late performer's 13 limousines sold well, his 1966 Rolls-Royce Silver Shadow fetched £28,587, more than twice the estimate, and a 1981 Zinner Golden Spirit, with four long trumpets extending from its radiator and "es-pecially made for Liberace" emblazoned on the dashboard, went for £25,480.

Tnesday, the end of the four-day Liberace sale, was also a boom day for Christie's in New York.

Virtually everything was sold at its auction of English and Continental silver, sent by various American collectors, and fine Russian works of art. Mr Jacques Koopman, the

London dealer, was active, buying seven of the top lots. These included an octafoil George I salver by John Chartier of London, for which he paid £35,700, more than ible its upper estimate, and £22,594 for a George II cake basket by Thomas Farren,

SAN PROPERTY OF THE by Sarah Jane Checkland Art Market Correspondent

Top price was £225,945 -- nearly four times the estimate - for a set of 12 German dwarf candlesticks, four and a half

First consigned to Christie's from a "foreign royal cellection" in 1951, and bought this week by an anonymous cellector, the price reflected that

Other high prices included £112,972 for a George II teaketile, stand, lamp and tray, by Paul de Lamerie; and £59,459 for a set of 24 George III soup plates by Paul Storr, which was three times the

Top price at the Russian sale was £29,729 for a Faberge silver mounted presentation

The total for the silver sale was £1.6 million, and for the Russian sale, £500,000.

Stars pose puzzle By Robert Matthews, Technology Correspondent

Astronomers in Hawaii have University of Hawaii discovdiscovered what they believe ered the galaxy.

is the oldest galaxy yet found, lying on the outermost fringes of the visible universe. It is estimated at more than

13 thousand million years old and challenges key theories about the universe. Scientists believed that the

The enormous heat the

creation generated should have prevented matter condensing into the galaxies we now see for at least four thousand million years, according to some theories.

Another puzzle facing astronomers is that Dr Lilly's galaxy appears to be older than many quasars whose violence is widely believed to universe was created to a colossal explosion about 15 thousand million years ago represent the birth-pangs of until Dr Simon Lilly of the galaxies.

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Fleming again

Madrid - Spanish authorities yesterday expelled Mr John
Fleming, aged 47, who was acquitted last year in London on
charges relating to a £20 million Heathrow bullion robbery
(Harry Debehus writes). A spokesman for the Seville
Governor's office in Alicante said that Mr Fleming left the
city at about 6 am local time in a car escorted by several
policemen bound for the French border at La Junquera.

He was expelled for violating an expulsion order issued

He was expelled for violating an expulsion order issued against him in November, 1985, which remains in effect for five years from the date of issue. It was the second Spanish expulsion order against the Briton: the first he was expelled was in 1976 after serving a prison term in connection with a fraud case in Gerona. Mr Fleming's presence in Spain came to light early this month as a result of a minor traffic accident in Benidorm.

President's divorce

Bogotá - President Jaime Lusinchi of Venezuela has been granted a divorce from his wife after 39 years of marriage (Geoffrey Matthews writes). The divorce was announced while Señor Lusinchi, aged 63, continued an official visit to

It is widely expected that he will eventually marry his attractive private secretary, Schorita Blanca Ibánez, who is about 20 years his junior and has been dubbed "Venezuela's Eva Perón" because of her considerable powers within the Government. She is alleged to have orchestrated press censorship and to have used the country's secret police to tap the phones of the President's political enemies and of his former wife.

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Washington - Senator Rob-ert Byrd of West Virigina, left, is to step down as the Senate majority leader at the end of this year (Mohsin Ali writes). Mr Byrd, aged 70, told his fellow Democrats that he would, however, run for re-election to the Senate in November. Leading can-didates to replace him as the Democratic leader are ex-pected to be Senators Daniel Inouye of Hawaii, Bennett Johnston of Louisiana, and George Mitchell of Maine.

Suicide blast kills 3

Johannesburg - A suspected African National Congress "terrorist" blew up himself and two white policemen in the black township of Mpunulanga in Natal early yesterday, the police said (Michael Hornsby writes). A second suspect died to a shoot-out in the same area, and a search was under way for a third man. The police had cornered the men after spotting them with an AK47 rifle.

Panama gun battle Panama City (Renter) - About 100 US Marines exchanged

sporadic fire, including mortar rounds, for about two hours with 40 to 50 unidentified intruders at a fuel storage depot near the Howard Air Base, a US military spokesman said yesterday. No casualties were reported on either side. The spokesman could not confirm or deny that the attackers were members of the Panamanian Defence Forces.

Coup alert in Manila Manila - President Aquino of the Philippines leaves for a

visit to China and Hong Kong today with a nationwide military alert in force until her return on Sunday (Humphrey Hawksley writes). It is her first overseas visit since an abortive coup last August and it is feared that Colonel Gregorio Honasan, who led the coup but escaped from custody, may act while Mrs Aquino is away.

Judges can be sued

Rome - Italians wrongfully jailed because of a magistrate's blunder will soon he able to take the judge to court, sue him and even have him imprisoned under a new law approved by Parliament (Roger Boyes writes). The law, which was passed overwhelmingly on Tuesday in spite of the absence of a government, comes into effect next mooth.

KGB chief blames Western agents for ethnic unrest

Latvia and Lithuania.

operation to stem the growing

main attention should be con-

cation in patriotic and inter-

nationalist spirit, preventing

any attempts to set those two nations against each other."

He dismissed the mass street protests aimed at secur-

ing the return of the predomi-

nantly Armenian Nagorno-Karabakh regioo of Azer-baijan to Armenia.

His remarks were the clear-

the KGB and a senior member actions against this country". of the Politburo, yesterday delivered a hard-bitting Tass, was also seen as an speech accusing Western se-cret services of playing a part in stirring up the recent ethnic crisis in the Soviet republics of other parts of the Soviet Armenia and Azerbaijan.

Making a rare public ad-dress, the head of the secret police dismissed scathingly the demands of more than one million demonstrators in mostly Christian Armenia for the redrawing of boundaries with the neighbouring repub-lic of Azerbaijan, which has a mainly Muslim population.

His attack, delivered during an awards ceremony in the Chuvash Antonomous Territory, which forms part of the Russian Federation, largest of the 15 Soviet republics, was seen in diplomatic circles here as a clear sign that the recent tough approach to nationalist demonstrators will cootinue.

"It is an open secret that secret services of imperialist powers and foreign anti-Soviet centres actively joio extremist nationalistic actions," the KGB chief de-clared. "Later on they start playing the part of open instigators of hostile actions aimed at kindling hostility out be repeated. They were among nations. One should also regarded as indirect critinot underestimate the danger cism of Mr Mikhail Gorb-

Mr Viktor Chebrikov, chief of this method of subversive achov, the Soviet leader, who initially appeared to show sympathy towards the de-The speech, published by mands of the protesters.

The speech also contained a thinly-veiled warning to the editors of the more reformist other parts of the Soviet Soviet papers and magazines Union, including Georgia and who have previously been attacked by Mr Chebrikov and the Baltie republics of Estonia, his conservative allies inside the Politburo for their liberal Mr Chebrikov, believed to interpretations of glasnost. be in charge of the Kremlin

"Today, we openly lay emphasis on shortcomings and negative phenomena, and wave of ethnic unrest, added: "However, in my opinion, the with very good reason, we expose their root causes and centrated on a timely solution do a great deal for clearing our society of all that is incompatto the emerging socio-eco-nomic problems, on the eduible with the ideals and principles of socialism." he said.

"However, this is only one side of the question. The other one is that we should by no means permit the belittling of the positive example, should propagate more actively advanced experience and labour achievements of the people who personally put ioto practice the transformations outlined by the party."

est statement yet from the Kremlin that the initial leeway These remarks are seen by given by the security forces to the Armenian demonstrators Moscow intellectuals as a clear in February, when hundreds warning to progressive pubof thousands gathered freely in the capital of Yerevan, would lications to switch the balance of their cover to emphasizing the positive aspects of presentday Soviet society, as opposed to criticizing its shortcomines.

Warsaw tribute to ghetto heroes

Politics splits celebrations

visit to the Polish capital.

members of the Israeli Par-

liament, were not expected to

Long Jewish memories of Polish anti-Semitism before the Second World War when

Jewish Poles were forced to

attend law classes at univer-

sity by sitting on a "ghetto bench" are also likely to

overshadow this weeks events.

The dwindling population of

Polish Jews still resident in

Warsaw also recall the Jewish

purges of 1968, when the

Gomalka Government exploit-

ed student riots to remove

Jews from party positions.

meet Polish officials.

Five days of ceromonies and Israeli government ministers arrived on an unprecedented

conferences begin here today commemorating the 45th anniversary of the ghetto uprising in Warsaw against the Nazis.

As early as July 1942, as the Germans began to deport the population of the Warsaw ghetio to the gas chambers at Treblinka, a Jewish fighting organization was set up preparing bunkers and petrol bombs. When the SS entered the virtually deserted ghetto for the final round-up on April 19, 1943, the resistance fought it tooth and sail for a month.

Before committing suicide with his comrades, the leader of the ghetto rising , Mordechai Ahielewicz said: "I have seen Jewish self-defence in all its glory."

This week's commemoration, which will culminate with monument recording the deaths of hundreds of thonsands of Jews who were transported to Treblinka, will be attended by Jewish delegations from all over the world.

contend with a group of opposition figures and former Second World War under-However, Mr Yitzhak Navon, the Deputy Prime Minister, and Mr Avraham ground commanders who are organizing their own independent commemoration. Sharir, the Justice Minister, who are accompanied by six

Polish dissidents formed recently an eager 46-member civic committee - including Mr Marek Edelman, the only surviving leader of the upris-ing - to organize unofficial

The committee, which was accused by the Government of exploiting the aniversary in order to "play small political games" is determined to organize a candle lit march from the oficial monument commemorating the ghetto

A similar unofficial rally five years ago marking the 40th anniversary of the rising was dispersed by riot police. try's remaining Jewish into the Polish capital for the next week, kesher drinks

stores and restaurants are suddenly being opened in the centre of Warsaw. They are mostly conversions of older, more established restaurants.

Government busy over the next few days, it must also

If these sensitive issues are not enough to keep the Polish

Israeli troops manning a new riot control vehicle, designed to

Doctor says toxic spray used against protesters Israelis accused of nerve gas killings

highly toxic gases against demonstrators io Gaza and the West Bank, a United Nations doctor who returned from the region recently said

Dr John Hiddlestone, direc-tor of health of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, said at least two Palestinian youths had died after being sprayed, and in two camps he was told that 60 womeo had had miscarriages after being affected by gas.

He said Israeli troops were using the new gases in addi-tion to normal tear gas to quell Palestinian riots in Gaza and the West Bank. One kind of gas caused severe abdominal pain and another immobilized its victims by weakening muscles when inhaled.

In one incident he alleged beaten and and an aerosol was gas, but strongly denied it yards inside the Israeli-policed sprayed into the room. "The would be harmful under nor- zone in southern Lebanon.

removed.

He said samples of the spray, which formed a reddish powder on the walls, had been sent to the International Red Cross for analysis. "We have not yet had the results of that analysis but it looked as though these were some very toxic nerve gas," he added.

Dr Hiddlestone also described injuries he said were a result of beatings of Palestinians by Israeli soldiers using batons made of iron covered

They hit the cheekbones, causing the eye to come out," last December.
he said. "There was such a JERUSALEM: An Israeli causing the eye to come out," degree of accuracy that they must have had training for this particular blow."

In Tel Aviv, military of-ficials acknowledged that people with health complications that two young men were could be harmed by the tear

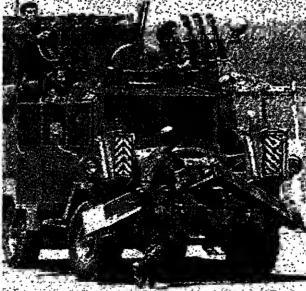
Vicana (Rester) - Israeli sol- room was then shut and after mal circumstances. But an diers have used new and an hour or so two bodies were official said: "I believe that a tremendous amount of tear gas, for someone with a heart problem, might have a poor

> Of the baton accusations, he said: "Metal rods wrapped in plastic are not standard

Gaza's Shifa hospital said esterday that a 70-year-old Palestinian woman from a refugee camp died after inhaling tear gas the previous day.

Relief agency sources said that 3,252 Palestinians had been injured in clashes with Israeli security forces since

Army patrol killed three heavily-armed guerrillas io a clash just north of the border with Lebanon. (David Bernsteio writes). An Army spokesman said the battle took place



fire tear gas and rubber bullets, at the Shati camp in Gaza.

Young settlers display loathing for Palestinians ceived by the ultra-nationalistic Gush do represent a hard core of fanatical

"I have always hated the Arabs, even before this latest incident," says 16year-old Yaacov, one of the group of Israeli settlers involved in last Wednesday's bloody confrontation with Palestinians in the West Bank village of Beita.

"I go through Nablus every day, and I see the hatred in the Arabs' eyes I've had a lot of stones and petrol bombs thrown at me, and what happened on Wednesday has simply strengthened my hatred for the

Seventeen-year-old Meira Katzover agrees. Another of those who took part in last Wednesday's hike and the daughter of a prominent settler leader, Mr Benny Katzover, Meira is con-vinced that dialogue with the Arabs is

an illusion. "I know that many Israelis share this illusion, but they don't live here among the Arabs, they don't know the situation. They believe that if we stick to the Arabs we will be able to make peace with them and live as good neighbours. I see no chance of that atail. Perhaps with a very few of them,

aged 17 and a close friend of Meira's, is adamant that the Arabs hate the Jews -- "all the Jews, even those who try to be nice, who try to talk to

"And what they feel for me, I feel for them," she says. "If they hate me, I will hate them back. Even if I were to love them it wouldn't help. I hate

All three of the young settlers,

6 I go through Nablus every day, and I see the hatred in the Arabs' eyes 9

interviewed yesterday on Galei Zahal, the Army radio station, a week after their traumatic experience, see a future where there will be far fewer Arabs, perhaps even none at all, in the areas they call Judaca and Samaria, and many, many more Jews.

The teenagers who took part in

Wednesday's hike all come from the

West Bank settlement of Eilon Morch,

perhaps the most controversial of all Israeli settlements. Deliberately con-

The original settlers, led by Mr Katzover, won approval in 1979 from Mr Menachem Begin's Likud Gov-

ernment to establish a settlement on its present site. For almost five years before that they had engaged in a bitter confrontations with the Army, which several times removed them forcibly from illegal squatter settlements they had tried to set up without government approval. Since then they have lived uneasily with their Arab neighbours, an uneasiness that had twice before exploded into murder.

Emunim settler movement as an aggressive thrust into the heavily-

populated Arab heartland of the West

Bank, Eilon Moreh has from the start

been in a state of sporadic conflict

both with the Army and with its Arab

It is from this superheated background of hatred and bitterness that the young hikers come, and which their tranmatic experience last Wednesday seems to have deepened.

Their views are hardly repre-

sentative of most Israeli 16 and 17-

year-olds; perhaps not even of most 16

and 17-year-old settlers. But they

Tehiya (Revival) party, and to a certain extent in the rabidly anti-Arab Kach Party of Rabbi Meir Kahane. Recent polis have shown a significant swing to Tehiya as a result of the Government's handling of the unrest in the occupied territories during the

settler feeling which finds its political voice in the extreme right-wing

past four months. This has been mostly at the expense of Mr Yitzhak Fanatical settler feeling

finds its political voice in the extreme right-wing 9

Shamir's right-wing Likud party, which is going to find it increasingly difficult during the run-up to elections later this year to resist the demands of the settlers for more settlements in the West Bank and tougher action against

the Palestinians. To satisfy these demands would undoobtedly wio some votes, but their implementation would make infinitely worse an already disastrous situation in the occupied territories.

Militant's call for unity

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Bhai Jasbir Singh Rode, right, the recently-released militant, surrounded by armed bodygnards before making a ringing call for unity at yesterday's gathering of 100,000 Sikhs.

Sikhs' new leader tries to heal ancient wounds

From Michael Hamlyn, Talwandi Sabo, Punjab

more general warning plainly

Bhai Jasbir Singh Rode, the bearded young man with a great deal about Sant Bhind-new leader of militant Sikhs saffron turban, also issued a ranwale, for Basakhi is also and the present best hope for more general warning plainly one of his anniversaries. Ten and the present best hope for the Indian Government to with a ringing plea for unity.

Bhai Jasbir Singh, recently released from jail and then promptly given the most se-nior and distinguished task in the Sikh religion, crowned his day by announcing the terms of a remerger between two hostile factions of the Sikh

students' federation. The All India Sikh Students' Federation has been the prime mover in the terror campaign aimed at the establishment of a separate Sikh nation they call Khalistan, since its leaders were the closest disciples of the terrorist holy man. Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale.

Its split into two factions with the leader of one, Mr Manist Singh, in jail and the leader of the other, Mr Gurjit Singh, on the run, has led to confusion about the movement's aims, and has made it easy for one faction to undercut the other io any attempt to start negotiations.

Bhai Jasbir Singh, by virtue of his new post as high priest of the Akal Takht, the immortal throne of spiritual and temporal power, a man with both religious and political power, announced that the two would unite under Mr Manjit Singh's presidency. Until he is out of jail an ad hoc committee of five, including Mr Gurjit Singh, would lead the federation.

His success was undercut somewhat by a fiercelyworded statement from the Gurjit faction saying that they of course accepted his instruction to merge again, but only if the Manjit faction fully accepted the goal of Khalistan. The spokesman, a black-

directed at Bhai Jasbir Singh. deal with, faced his first big He said that if anyone thought test here yesterday. He acquit-ted himself comfortably well central Government without taking into account the views of the federation, they would meet the same fate as the last Sikh leader to sign an agree-ment with Mr Rajiv Gandhi, Sant Harchand Singh Longowal. He was assassinated.

Saffron turbans - the colour denotes those prepared to sacrifice themselves for the cause of religion - were everywhere to be seen yes-terday in this historic little town on this historic day. It was Basakhi Day, the first

Amritsar, India (AP) - Sikh militants fired into the air with atic rifles and weapons inside the Sikh re-ligion's holiest shrine, the Golden Temple, here yes-terday. No injuries were reported.

day of the Sikh new year. It marks the anniversary of the founding of the modern ver-sioo of the Sikh faith. On Basakhi Day in 1699, Guru Gobind Singh, the tenth and last Sikh guru, first baptized his five most faithful followers and launched the militant movement of baptized Sikhs who call themselves the "Khalsa" or "pure".

This village close to the border with Haryana is also the home of Damdama Sahib, a temple, where yesterday's festival was held. More than 100,000 joyful

Sikhs came to celebrate with a fair, with roundabouts and circuses and sideshows where they could be photographed looking suitably fierce against a painted mountain. Around 6,000 of the most

years ago he launched his agitation against the heretic Sikh sect of Nirankaris.

On the platform, apart from Bhai Jasbir Singh, who is Sant Bhindranwale's nephew, was the Sant's octogenarian father, Baba Joginder Singh, who headed the first attempt at militant unity after the death of his son, leading a "united" Sikh party which shortly split the official party three ways.

Another of the Baba's sons also spoke. He was Harcharan Singh Rode, who was in the Indian Army at the time of the death of his brother in the army assault on the Golden Temple of Amritsar. He performed for the Government the service of identifying his brother's body and afterwards was promoted honorary captain. He has since retired. Sant Bhindranwale's nine-year-old son, Inderjit Singh, read a poem about the Sikh familiarity with sacrifice.

A Sikh in the audience muttered to me: "When Bhindranwale was alive, his relatioos would not come near him. Even his father was made to sit with the general public and was not recognized"

Bhai Jasbir Singh, at 34 still a comparatively youthful fig-ure and lacking his uncle's deep burning eyes and hawklike expression, managed to avoid mention of Khalistan in his speech, except when he, too, quoted the Sant's words: "If they attack the Akal Takht, they will lay the foundation stone of Khalistan".

If he can persuade the other factions of Sikh political life to unite behind him - as he put it "unite with the militants" he will be well on the road to being enabled to deal with Mr learned packed into the Gandhi's Government. That assembly hall. They heard a is still, however, a big "if".

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Cordovez rejects fears of bloodbath in Afghanistan

Despite a Mujahidin warning would seize control of Kabul "within days" of a Soviet pullout and a stinging condemnation of the agreement due to be signed today securing a withdrawal of Soviet troops, the architect of the Afghan accord, Señor Diego Cordo-vez, remained confident the pact would hold.

Rejecting the notion that a bloodbath would follow the Soviet Army's departure, the UN mediator said: "I think that things will start changing now. There will be a fundamental change of attitude among all the people. The refugees will go back. There will be pressure on Afghan politicians to change their approach. People will go back to their traditional ways of behaviour. I am quite certain it will work well."

It was ironic, he said, that many Western governments and commentators who had previously pressed hard for a Soviet withdrawal were now along with the Mujahidin - voicing such disquiet about its consequences. But the fact remained that the removal of Soviet forces was "a first but absolutely essential step to peace in Afghanistan".

However Mr Gulhuddin Hekmatyar, chairman of the seven-party Mujahidin alliance, attacked the Geneva peace accords due to be signed hy Pakistan and Afghanistan as defective, unpracticable and ineffective.

alliance headquarters in Peshawar, Mr Hekmalvar dis-

of time. In a reference to the our final victory". He said that nor Cordovez said. "It is efforts of Señor Cordovez, and the resistance currently conthose of the Pakistan Foreign trolled 90 per cent of Afghani-Ministry he said: "We are stan and that a Mujahidin sorry for those who have victory over Kabul would wasted all of their time in the last six years with lengthy negotiations. Finally, they have reached the stage of signing a piece of paper which is defective, unjust and unpracticable."

He said be could not understand how the UN, which

A report in Tuesday's Los Angeles Times, quoting Paki-stani intelligence sources, claimed that Sunday's disaster at an ammunition dump out-side Islamabad was caused by the Afghan Government's Khad (secret service) agents. A senior Western diplomat in Islamahad, however, rejected the story categorically. The Government, which has ordered an inquiry, says it does not rule out sabotage.

strives for the right of selfdetermination for all nations, could allow an agreement to he reached under its auspices which would in effect ensure that "an illegitimate puppet regime" would remain in place in Kabul.

He was in no doubt that by signing in Geneva the Pakistanis, and by implication the UN itself, were playing into the hands of the Russians, who had achieved their principal amhition: a lengthy withdrawal period during which they could establish economic Najibullah Government

come in a matter of days after the last of the Soviet troops bad left

Any accord acceptable to the Mujahidin would have to result from direct negotiations between the two "real parties" to the conflict, the Russians and the Mujahidin, he added. Critics of the agreement,

which provides for the Russian withdrawal but allows the Soviet Union and United States to continue arming the two sides in the Afghan civil war, claim that the peace plan is little more than a facesaving operation for the superpowers. They say that Afghanistan will slip into anarchy after the Russians leave, as war continues between the Communist Government in Kabul and the seven Mujahidin rebel groups, themselves likely to decline into internecine feuding. Pakistan was persuaded to drop its demand for an interim government in Kabul representing all factions before signing the accord.

Yesterday, as last-minute haggling continued over the seating plan for today's signing in Geneva, Señor Cordovez, the UN Under Secretary for Political Affairs, said that intelligence from Afghanistan led him to be ontimistic about the siluation after the troops'

There would be two key In an interview with The and military conditions to elements in the situation after Times at the heavily-fortified ensure the survival of the Russians had gone - the Eduard Shevardnadze, will attitude of the five million represent the superpowers. Nevertheless, he described refugees in Pakistan and Iran, They will sign a separate Americans did in Saigon.

sometimes said that they (the refugees) won't go back so long as Mr Najibullah (the Afghan President) is in power. That is not so. Most of them probably do not even know Mr Najibullah's name. The reason most of them do not go back is because they hear reports there are soldiers still in their village. Once they hear the soldiers have gone, they

will inhibit continuing fighting." The Mujahidin commanders' objective, he continued, "is to get the Russians out". When the Russians disappeared, so too would the only factor which unifies the rebels and prompts their com-

will return and that in itself

bined resistance. Senor Cordovez said: "Everyone should persuade the Afghans that they need to move towards a new govern-ment as soon as possible. But we cannot impose that upon

Yesterday the UN mediation team was confronted with last-minute hitches over the seating plan for the signing

The Pakistan and Afghanistan groups, who are due to sign three separate agreements, have so far never met face to face. "Gening them to agree where to sit is almost as difficult as getting the agree-ment was in the first place," one UN official said.

The US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, and the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr



Mr Hekmatyar, a Mnjahidin leader, has branded the Geneva peace accords as defective.

delegation here report that resistance as they retreat of this year. They intend to detailed preparations are well There will be no private or remove 50,000 troops by Auin hand for the troop withdrawal. "Vietnam is not going to happen to the Russians. They will not leave clinging to helicopter skids, like the

public embarrassing spectacles. They are going to do it

gust and the rest by December. Soviet troop strength in

the conservative backlash, devoted

much of its front page to letters

prompted by its own full-page

editorial attack on the original

article in its sister paper Sov-

ietskaya Rossiya - which most Kremlin watchers believe was in-

The political struggle over the

future of reform is expected to heat

The agreement provides for total withdrawal by February few as 20,000 of these are 15, 1989, but the Russians are combatants. The withdrawal missed the entire UN-spons- the imminent withdrawal as and the motivation of the agreement as guarantors. They will not allow them- indicating informally that of the troops is to be ored peace process as a waste "the first and biggest stage of Mujahidin commanders, Se- Sources close to the Soviet selves to be harassed by the they plan to be out by the end itored by 80 UN staff.

Tegucigalpa (AP) — The Honduran Government is lifting a five-day state of emergency imposed after riots protesting at the deportation of an alleged drug trafficker to the United States. No deporting Bonn - Pan Am airline staff in West Berlin have requested the right to refuse to help in

Afghanistan is estimated at 115,000, but it is said that as deporting people whose appli-cations for political asylum have been rejected. of the troops is to be mon-

Shop bombed Turin (AP) — A shop specializ-ing in Jewish publications was

attacked with a fire-bomb. The previously unknown Revolutionary Anarchic Group claimed responsibility.

Britain to

celebrate

Reagan's

presidency

President Reagan's visit to Britain on his way home after is to be turned into a grand

valedictory celebration of the Anglo-American relationship throughout his presidency (Andrew McEwen writes).

Government sources said that it was to be treated with

pomp on a scale comparable with a full state visit, and would include meetings with

the Queen and Mrs Thatcher.

land and a tour of African countries planned by Sir Geof-frey Howe, the Foreign Sec-retary, have been postponed

Maputo (AP) - Mr Albie Sachs, the South African law-

ver and anti-apartheid ac-

tivist, is "making a very good

recovery since losing his right arm in a car bomb

explosion here last week.

Border death

West Berlin (AP) - A man

was found hanged from a tree in a restricted area along the

Berlin Wall. Officials had to

negotiate with the authorities

in East Berlin about taking the

Curbs lifted

body down.

Sachs better

because of it.

Mrs Thatcher's trip to Po-

Mayor's guilt Peking (Reuter) - The Mayor of Shanghai has accepted the hlame for a ferry accident and a hepatitis epidemic that killed 22 people.

Libya talks.

Cairo (AP) — President Mubarak of Egypt has accepted a proposal to meet Colonel Gadaffi of Libya.

Poll violence Dhaka - At least six people were killed and 90 were injured in during elections for village mayors in Bangladesh.

Ending of costly conflict helps Gorbachov's battle for change withdrawal under such terms emerged as Mr Gorbachov's main defender in the new battle against

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Today's signing in Geneva of the pact which will take the Soviet troops home from Afghanistan will provide Mr Mikhail Gorbachov with a much-needed boost to his domestic popularity at a time when his reforms are under siege from powerful opponents in the Communist Party hureaucracy.

At every level of Soviet society there is no mistaking the enthusiasm for ending the involvement in the Afghan conflict which, after nearly eight years, seems to remain nonular only among gung-ho career officers anxious for a theatre in which to make their names.

"I welcome it very much indeed, and so do my friends. It is time that

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home and to be free of the dangers they were facing there," one Moscow mother of two children said yesterday. "The date of May 15 (when the pull-out begins) is one everyone is talking about."

Among Soviet intellectuals, Mr Gorbaehov's determination to press ahead with the withdrawal is

• It is time our lads were able to come back home

seen as a welcome sign of his willingness to stand up to hardliners in the Kremlin, notably those who have argued that a

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would be a humiliation.

"Mr Gorbachov's style for the last three years has been always to appeal over the heads of his opponents to the Soviet people, and this gives him a perfect platform for doing that," a senior Western diplomat said. "In our style of democracy this is a decision that would have won him a great

In recent months, the official media has been unshackled by the Moscow censors and allowed to print the first details of the horrors of the war and of the horrendous difficulties facing returning vet-erans, who are often spurned by a society which pays little heed to their problems, particularly dis-

began last year, is seen as a crucial part in Mr Gorbachov's scheme of letting the people know the realities of the war rather than the sanitized and idealized versions previously presented. But as conversations with people in Moscow and other parts of the country quickly reveal, the hush telegraph has long ago communicated the grim truth.

The treaty signing is being portrayed as a prime example of the "new thinking" in international affairs which Mr Gorbachov has been pursuing. It comes as the press is devoting increasing space to combating what are described as attempts to mount a "political platform" against perestroika.

Yesterday, the weekly New

Professor Anatoly Butenko attacking a polemic published last month hy the popular Communist daily Sovietskaya Rossiya, challenging the furtherance of reform and defending Stalin.

The offending article, written in the form of a letter, was seen as inspired by supporters of Mr Yegor

Stalin's activities had nothing to do with socialism.

Ligathov, the Kremlin No 2 and party ideology chief who is the figurehead for the conservatives. A day earlier, Pravda, which has

up in the approach to the all-union Communist Party conference due nere from June 28-30, the first such gathering since 1941. To have the troops returning

spired by Mr Ligachov.

from Kabul will greatly strengthen Mr Gorbachov's hand in seeking a mandate to pursue full-blooded

South Korean corruption scandal

Chun resigns his last two posts

South Korea, former President Chun has been forced to relinquisb his last vestiges of authority in disgrace.

Mr Chun announced yesterday that he was resigning as statesmen, and as honorary president of the ruling Democratic Justice Party, because of the recent arrest of a younger hrother on corruption charges. hrother on corruption charges.

Addressing local reporters at Party, who said: "His pretenhis residence in Seoul, he said: "It is because of my lack of virtue that I failed to control my brother's behaviour."

Mr Chun's fall from grace, less than two months after he should volunteer to be stepping down as President, came amid growing demands for investigations into alleged scandals involving other members of his family during his seven-year rule.

If a day is a long time in politics, a year is an eternity. By an ironic coincidence, it was on the same date last year that Mr Chun tried to ban debate on constitutional reforms until after the Seoul Olympics later this year.

The nail in his political coffin was the arrest two weeks ago of his brother Mr contest for control of the 299-Chun Kyung Hwan, aged 46, seat National Assembly. They on charges of embezzling almost £6 million, accepting Chun's ignominy was the last month the Government orother-in-law. There is the charges in the charges in the charges in a lot can happen in a year.

One year after trying to ob-struct democratic reforms in chairman of Saemaul, a rural between members of his would have allowed it to development agency.

The former President, on his return from a private visit to the United States last weekend, publicly apologized for his brother's criminal chairman of a council of elder activities but said he had not been aware of them. This failed to impress Mr

Kim Myung Yoon, acting president of the opposition sion to be ignorant of the Saemaul scandal is an immoral act to deceive and ridicule the public. If he really wants the truth to be revealed, questioned by the prosecution."

The past conduct of Mr Chun and his relatives has become a prominent issue in a turbulent campaign for general elections on April 26, with the opposition trying to taint the ruling party with the corruption associated with the old authoritarian regime.

Senior officials of the Justice party were uncertain yesterday how the affair would affect their prospects in what is expected to be a close

administration still in influential government positions and aides to President Roh.

However the Information Ministry, in a recent briefing paper, said persistent reports to this effect posed a dilemna for Mr Roh's team: "They can



Mr Chun speaking about the Sacmanl affair yesterday.

neither openly patronize nor cold-shoulder those who have been groomed by former President Chun ... so the key members of the new regime are finding themselves treading on thin ice."

The state council chaired by Mr Chun was formed after he

would have allowed it to summon government officials and handle civil petitions.

The closest a Justice party official would come to admit-ting conflict was to say: I think Chun might have sensed the mood of the people. By giving up everything, he may have wanted to eradicate suspicion that he was trying to offuence government policies behind the scenes."

Regardless of the Chun factor, the Justice party strategists professed pessimism about the election, saying that regional loyalties favoured the opposition and that small groups and independents would capture votes from the ruling party.

diction is merely an electoral tactic to galvanize support remains to be seen. If the fragmented opposition does gain control, however, the Chun clan's troubles may not be over. The Reunification party has vowed to invoke Assembly powers under the new democratic Constitution to investigate alleged mis-deeds by Mr Chun's elder brother, father-in-law and a brother-in-law. There has been no suggestion that Mr Chun might face charges. But

Japan's banks get poison-pen letters

against one of Japan's biggest banks and accompanied the menaces with poison.

Menacing letters and poison enough to kill 3,000 people were sent to five branches of the Sanwa Bank in various parts of the country. The sender, using the pen name Mr Kazuo Tanaka, and writing in classical Japanese, first despatched six plastic bags of poison to a branch of the bank in Osaka, demanding that it pay the money for the purchase of 14 items including a radio-controlled belicopter, dynamite and gunpowder. The poisons included potassium

An extortionist demanding cyanide, arsenic and potas-£900,000 has launched a simm nitrate, among other nationwide series of threats lethal substances.

4 according to Osaka police, who, in a change from their assail practice, vesterilas and The sender warned that he

would create panic by sending radio-controlled model sir-craft loaded with explosives into banks and filling underground and commuter trains with cyanide and other lethal gases. The letters came from four different addresses in Osaka, all false.

The threats are being taken seriously because the handwriting suggests that the extortionist is not a young trouble-maker but most probably a radical bent on revolution and with a professional

knowledge of poisons.

who, is a change from their usual practice, yesterday gave details of the case, the biggest attempted extertion in Japan for four years. On April 6 the bank was instructed to leave a white flower at the employees' entrance as a sign that it was prepared to do a deal. But as one came to the bank to pick up the money.

Three days later a letter was Three days later a letter was received saying, "Our wish was ignored". On April 11 and 12, letters threatening to kill customers with cyanide gas were sent "because the bank president ignored our wish".

case was in 1984. Known as The threats began on April the 21-Faced Monster case, it effences,

involved random poisoning, over 18 months, of chocolates and other products made by an Osaka food company. Despi a massive police operation, the case was never solved.

The failure of the police to solve that crime empl the deficiencies of a force with a worldwide reputation for keeping the crime rate low and solving cases quickly.

But Japan's police force operates within local boundaries and is unable to respond properly to nationally organized crime. Moreover, the force's reputation has already been tarnished by lax discipline, with several nalive off. The earlier serious extortion pline, with several police offi-

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Jackson presence," said an

Onthodox, leader, voicing a

typical lack of enthusiasm for

the Massachusetts Governor.

Democratic Party's primary

kee than Zorba the Greek, the

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to project his competence to

an America tired of the vi-

sions, poetry and hungling of the Reagan Administration.

He does not even try to fire up

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he honed at his Quaker

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easy target for his critics, including fellow Democrats

whn believe that the country's

most popular party may be

heading for yet another presidential defeat just as all

the signs suggest that the time

Mr Richard Nixnn, now

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The three countries together have a population of about 175 million and economies, which, although idling now in a period of shump, are tending towards expansion. The principle behind the agreement is to serve as a springboard for a South American common market, an old but unproven

idea for the developing world. In Latin America, much as in Africa, a combination of uneven development, lingering colonial bonds and the hard facts of global markets have weighed against a strong regional economic community. As though in 2 fierce

Austere Dukakis banks on his cool reasoning

With the fate of his presiden- regarded as one of the coun- government priest," Mr Richtial campaign effort quite try's wiser political minds, and Giesser, a friend of long possibly in the hands of New predicts that Mr Dukakis's standing told an interviewer predicts that Mr Dukakis's predicts that Mr Dukakis's standing told an interviewer lack of passion will lose him last week. "He has that kind of York's big Jewish electorate, Mr Michael Dukakis still an election - narrowly stuck to his guns. He strode in against Mr George Bush defrom of Jewish leaders in spite the Republican's pale Manhattan this week, pulled persona. "Jackson is a poet, himself up to his full 5ft 8in. Cuomo is a poet, Dukakis is a and did not tell them what word-processor," the former President said last Sunday. He did not oppose a

Anyone who reads a newspaper knows that Mr Dukakis chose for his latest holiday reading a book called Swedish salem's stature as Israel's Land Use Planning. Does America want another Jimmy Carter, his detractors wonder. The Carter comparison is being invoked far and wide. Like Carter, Mr Dukakis is "offering his person to the nation". "Dukakis is Carter



without the humour," goes a widespread jest.

The similarities extend to style. Mr Dukakis is well known for his austere habits io Massachusetts. He takes the Underground to work from his modest suburban house, buys his suits in Filenc's Bargain Basement, a famous Boston institution, neither smokes nor drinks, and talks of growing tomatoes in the White House rose garden.

But to his supporters the equivalence stops there. While Mr Carter was an engineer outsider who disdained politics and swamped himself in the detail of day-to-day administratinn, Mr Dukakis has spent his while working life as a government insider, albeit in his home state. "Michael Dukakis is like a

devotion to his work and that kind of sentiment about it." There is another telling

difference. Mr Carter was "Jimmy" to everyone, a man of the people. The austere Mr Dukakis is Mike only on his campaign posters. To his intimates, including his Jewish wife, Kitty, he is Michael Unlike Mr Carter, Mr Du-

kakis is an optimist, with faith in a future of more jobs and growth of the kind that be has presided nver in Massachusetts. In this, he appeals to the educated younger suburban electorate which swung behind Mr Gary Hart in 1984. But unlike Mr Hart, and also the old liberals of the Hubert Humphrey school, the Governor is a parsimnnious costcutter who does not believe money is the key. "He talks right but thinks left," said nne Republican strategist. "He's real dangerous for us." Unlike Mr Carter, Mr Du-

kakis, who is aged 54, has learnt how to play the political game and he learnt the hard way. In his first term of Governor from 1975, he shunned the grubby deal-making of the old Irish Democratic machine, rucoing roughshod over many sensi-bilities. The cost was defeat in 1978, an event his wife calls his "public death". He learnt the values of consensus while licking his wounds in his fouryear "sabbatical" as a fellow at the Kennedy School at Harvard before putting his ideas back into practice after re-election in 1984. As qualification for the

White House job Mr Dukakis invokes the "Massachusetts Miracle", the transformation of his state from economic doldrums to high-tech showplace with one of the lowest unemployment rates io the he wants American behavinur



only chief executive among the candidates," says his New York televison commercial. "He's the only one who has balanced budgets - nine of

According to his critics, he merely managed the benefits nf the Reagan boom that would have come the way of Massachusetts without him. Maybe, he says, but he found innovative ways to distribute the wealth, firster growth and help the poor while showing himself capable of taking the hard budget decisions required of a good manager.

On foreign policy, Mr Dukakis offers the standard liberal Democratic fare. He opposes Star Wars and aid to the Nicaraguan Contras, and

Mr Dukakis wooing the crucial votes of Hassidic and Orthodox Jews on the streets of Borough Park in New York. country. "Mike Dukakis is the abroad to reflect the country's "principles and values". Fairplayed the cool New Englander against the back-slaply naive, say the experts, who wonder if he is equipped to ping ethnic politicos. Now he tackle the irrationalities of a brandishes his Hellenic roots

> enough against the seductive logic of Mr Gorbachov. On another level, though, Mr Dukakis is better equipped than any recent President for insight into foreign thinking he speaks four languages, including native Greek and fluent Spanish. While foreign policy is not winning or losing votes at this stage of the Democratic campaign, his languages and ethnicity are oow proving one of his stron-

Khomeini or stand tough

And his origins as the son nf two Greek immigrants arealso proving a plus, at least in the oorthern states. In his Chicago and Los Angeles, his Jackson.

gest cards.

Governor's campaigns, he strategists are working in to counter the image of inhibition. "How can a Greek be unemotinnal?" he says. "I like to think I combine the emo-

the frugality of the Yankees." Mr Dukakis's family provided a further popular fillip this week when his cousin Olympia won an Oscar for her role in the 100 per cent ethnic film Moonstruck. "The Duke" feted the event by dining in the Greenwich Village Italian restaurant that features heavily in the film.

tionality of my forebears and

While the souvlaki-chnmping, bouzouki-dancing Du-kakis plays well in New York,

broaden his appeal for conservative Southerners like the Texas party boss whn told him: "We ain't never vuied for no one with two k's in his

It is a given fact that a Dukakis ticket will require a running-mate with Southern appeal, as well as sex appeal, a man such as Senator Sam Nunn of Georgia, for example.

With victory now in sight, the experts are deluging Mr Dukakis with advice. Fnr example, Fred Barnes, the influential commentator of The New Republic, told him this week that he badly needs to stop using abstractions like "social services", find some anecdates and, above all, start building bridges with

Boost for Bush with Iran arms trial delay

From Christopher Thomas Washington

After a chaotic day of legal manoeuvring the first pre-trial bearings in the Iran-Contra scandal ended with a surprise statement by the judge that he would not hold the trial while the US presidential campaign was in full swing this autumn.

The decision is an enormous boost for Vice-President George Bush, dogged by doubts and questions about his role in the affair. It means the trial will be kept out of the headlines throughout the key part of the election campaign.

Judge Gerhard Gessell said in the federal district court in Washington: "I have a concern about the wisdom and the fairness - in the broadest sense of the word - about having this trial under way while ballots are being cast."

He did not set a trial date but said he hoped to begin as soon as July and to complete the proceedings before the November election. Defence lawyers, however, argued that they would need at least until March next year to get through the paperwork. Lientenant-Colonel Oliver

North who sat in court in a civilian suit, retires from the Marines on May 1. The latest opinion poll, conducted by USA Today, shows that only 17 per cent of Americans now regard him as a hero. The other defendants are Rear Admiral John Poindexter, the former National Security Adviser; General Richard Secord, a retired Air Force commander, and Mr Albert Hakim, a business associate. The defendants have pleaded not guilty to conspiracy, theft and

Argentina and **Brazil** forge survival links

From Mac Margolis, Rio de Janeiro

Brazil and Argentina, the two scramble for second place, the South American giants, have developing countries have managed to defise once vol. long overlooked their neighbours for more promising towards an unprecedented co-markets, technology, and cul-

operation agreement.
Since 1985, the two presivisits, signed 22 commercial and technological accords, and acclaimed their newfound bond from innumerable



President Sarney: Plunge in popularity after austerity.

podia. In the latest entente, when Señor Alfonsin spent three days with Señor Sarney last week, the pair signed another flurry of agreements. removing tariffs on some 524 manufactured goods and eas-

ing cross-border car sales.

Most importantly, they vowed to share information on the development of nuclear technology in the Declaration of Ipero, named after the newly inaugurated ouclear laboratory, near Sao Paulo, where Brazil is producing enriched uranium. Argentina, which has built five laboratory nuclear reactors, is far ahead nf Brazil in atomic research.

Señor Alfonsin said: "Now we have no more secrets." Admiral Othon Luiz Pinheiro da Silva, who runs the Ipero laboratory, said that the hilateral accord rejected inspection by international nuclear regulatory authorities and "declares war on the common enemy who would impede our technological development". Both presidents emphasized that their nuclear programmes had peaceful ends.

Beyond the pomp and protocols, the heads of state also penned a loftier pact, a declaration of dawning", which aims to create permanent co-operation between Brazil, Argentina and Uru-guay, their mutual neighbour.

ture from overseas.

So it was that Argentina.

dents, Senor Raul Alfonsin of proud of its old-world heritage Argentina and Senor Jose and once-robust economy, Samey of Brazil, have ex- snubbed its neighbour to the ate porth cultivating ties with Europe Brazil, concerned about

catching up and worried about Argentina's designs on its southern borders, woodd more muscular allies in England and later wrapped itself in the mantle of a "special relationship" with Washington.

But both have grown considerably. Now Brazil produces more manufactured goods than primary products, and Argentina, while still heavily dependent oo agriculture, has a large internal market and a diversifying economy. They have emerged more and more as competitors in the global economy.

The rapprochement be tween them has arisen at the best and worst of times for both. The bilateral effort was born three years ago, with the re-emergence of civilian rule in both Brasilia and Buenos Aires, and has been heralded as the fruit of the two budding

Conceived in times of staggering oational debt, looming recession, and nag-ging inflation, their new-found latino-americanismo" has also been raised like an umbrella of mutual self-help.

The return of runaway prices and labour discontent has eroded the image of both courts. Argentina's Peronist party has fed upon the general restiveness and is likely to



President Alfonsia: "Now we have no more secrets."

trounce Señor Alfonsin's Radical Civic Union party in next year's presidential campaign.

The Brazilian president, similarly, has watched his popularity plunge as oncehopeful economic reforms have given way to bitter austerity measures and looming strikes.

Senor Samey and Senor Alfonsin seem to have made the best of their mutual phight in unveiling plans for a Latin American common market. The two giant rivals appear to have dropped their legacy of bickering for nobler goals and two leaders in trouble have realized that they may be their own best friends.



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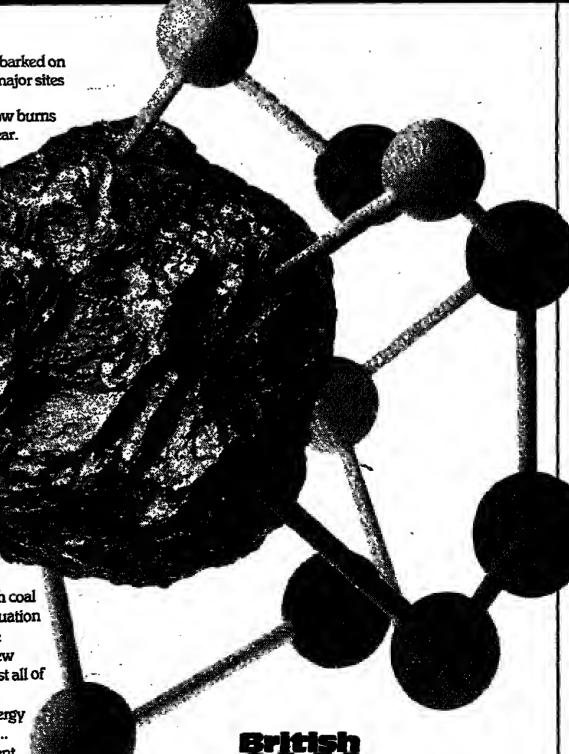
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PARLIAMENT

Uproar disrupts debate on social security

The emergency debate on the new social security system was interrupted by rowdy scenes culminating in the naming of Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab) and his expulsion from the Commons.

He had repeatedly tried to intervene in the speech of Mr John Moore. Secretary of State

The Speaker (Mr Bernard Weatherill) warned Mr Nellist several times not to persist in auempting to intervene because the minister had made clear that he was not giving way.

On a point of order, Mr Nellist said he had the right to rise every minute or two to ask the minister 10 give way. That was the only chance the House had to ask him questions.

He continued to rise in his place, although the Speaker reminded him that this was a brief debate and he was being unfair to the rest of the House.

Finally, when Mr Nellist again rose in his place, the Speaker asked him to leave the chamber. Mr Nellist wanted to raise a point of order, hut the Speaker said none could arise and he must leave the chamber. otherwise he would be forced to

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool. Walton. Lab) shouted at the Speaker. Shut up, you slupid man! (Conservative protests)

After several further requests for Mr Nellist to leave the chamber, the Speaker named him and the motion expelling him, moved by Mr David Waddington, Government Chief Whip, was carried by 270 votes to 32 - majority, 238.

As the MPs began to divide. Mr Robert Clay (Sunderland North, Lab) shouled to the Speaker: You are a Tory stooge! Conservative protests)

Mr Anthony Nelson (Chichester. C) wore the traditional top hat to raise a point of order complaining that what Mr Clay had said did great offence, not only to the House, but also to the Speaker. He asked for action as soon as the division was over. but the Speaker said that he had not heard the remark.

When the motion was carried he directed Mr Nellist to withdraw. Mr Nellist did so, remark-ing "I'll be back" and then pointed to Cooservative MPs and said to the Speaker. "Keep those quiet as well".

Mr Ivan Lawrence (Burton, C) also asked the Speaker to act agaiost Mr Clay, who, he said, had repeated the charge three times, but the Speaker repeated that he had not heard the

The fact that he had graoted the emergency debate showed those now on social security the allegation which Mr Clay were not claiming it at the time. untrue.

Opening the debate. Mr Robin Cook, chief Opposition spokesman on health and social

newspaper owners and editors, who despised their own readers.

up pictures of naked women to sell some of their nasty politics.

Miss Clare Short (Birmingham. Ladywood. Lah) said in the

She was given leave by 163 votes to 48 votes — majority, 115, to introduce under the 10-

minute rule procedure the In-decent Displays (Newspapers) Bill, which would make illegal

the display in newspapers pic-tures of naked or partly naked

women in sexually provocative

BENEFIT CHANGES

ment itself claimed that the changes represented the biggest upheaval in social security for 40 years.

But the Government had not been idle for the past nine years. It had abolished the link between pensions and earnings, leaving the pension for a married couple £14 lower than it otherwise would have been.

It had abolished short-term sickness benefit and the earnings-related supplement and taken what remained of un-employment benefit into tax-ation. It had repeatedly failed to up-rate child benefit, leaving it 10 per cent lower in real terms than it had been in 1979.

It had removed all board-andlodging payments for those under 25 and, in the past two years, it had just about halved the number of single payments.

Administration at Oxford had taken a study of 186 claimants in the city and calculated that two-thirds would lose in cash terms, ignoring the abolition of single payments, and three-quarters would lose taking that abolition into account Against that background, it had been difficult to devise a new system that was even more Nottingham University had carried out studies in Nmtingham and Wandsworth, calculating that losers outnumbered gainers by 2-1.

Mr Nellist: Several warn-

ings from the Speaker

mean than the one it replaced

and which left some people even worse off than they had been

The key question was: How many were worse of?

Everyone on the Government

12 per cent would be worse off,

but that figure was based on estimates taken from two sources of data — one taken in

1986 and the other in 1985 -

and not on a careful census of

the eight million people affected

taken so long ago that most of

"It is also a calculation that

wondrously treats the abolition

of single payments as not being a

shire, C), who said that young ladies who chose to display

whatever assets they posessed

for profit were successfully

exploiting the male population.

The nude had an honourable

place in the history of art and

He also wondered who would

have the responsibility for identifying who was partially clad, clad or unclad and what

exactly was a sexually provoc-

ative pose.

by the changes.

cut at all.

under the previous system.

Strathclyde Social Work Department had concluded that 154 of 200 claimants it had studied would be worse off. "Unlike the Government fig-ures, that is not an estimate; it is

abolition into account.

"Ministers of this Govern-

It was a measure of the lack of

It had ignored the results of research by the Policy Studies Institute, which calculated the

proportion of losers not at 12 per cent, but at 48 per cent.

"That may not be a reliable figure, because the PSI based its calculation on data supplied by the DHSS."

The Department of Social

effect of the changes.

a real head count of real claimants, on samples that do not date from 1985, but from Ministers could not even convince their own staff, who had insisted on floor to ceiling security to protect them from the frustration that they expected from claimants once the

system was in operation. The chairman of the Government's own Social Security Advisory Committee, Mr Peter Barclay, had put the losers at 43 per cent, based on figures sup-plied by the Government in November, which showed that 3,650,000 claimants would be better off if the old system had

per cent for inflation. "With all its faults, with all the cuts, and not taking into account the abolition of single payments, 3,650,000 claimants are worse off under the new scheme than they were under

been retained and up-rated by 3

the old scheme. The view of ministers seemed to be that the old scheme had been too generous to too many people.

The Prime Minister reached her conclusion that 88 per cent of people would be no worse off "It is an estimate based on a sample which is small in rela-tion to the millions affected and on the basis that, although there were many people who now had a lower entitlement to benefit, the DHSS did not take the

"Instead, they let the benefit shrivel away with inflation." Mr Cook quoted the case of The problem for the Government was that no organization wife had a stroke two years ago

The Bill had been opposed by Mr Eric Forth (Mid Worcester- tarianism of the new Labour they reminded them of women

House had voted to give her

leave to bring in a similar Bill two years ago, but it had failed to pass into law because Conser-vative MPs had objected to it

anonymously every time it

Since then, she had received more than 5,000 letters, the

overwhelming majority from women hut a significant number

'came up for second reading.

Miss Short said that the be on page three.

that had studied the impact of the changes agreed with its and able only to blink her

Her husband had had to give up work to look after her and her food had to be liquidized. The local DHSS appeared to have pulled out all the stops to give ment are a victim of their own arrogance that nobody else de-serves to be listened to and taken seriously unless they are working within the Governthe maximum help and they received £89 a week in benefit. But, under the new rules, their entitlement was to be reduced to confidence of the Government that it had commissioned no research of its own into the only £70 a week.

"Of course, Mr and Mrs Sinclair are not losers. Their cash is not being taken away, but their benefit is being frozen until their new entitlement catches

That would mean, on present estimates, that their benefit would be frozen until 1995. "Mr and Mrs Sinclair are not losers: they are one of the 88 per cent paraded as those who are no worse off."

But it was worse than that. The couple lived in a two-storey cottage and Mr Sinclair had to carry his wife upstairs to bed every night. They had decided to move to a bungalow and the DHSS had awarded them an exura £9 a week to help.

But that was simply added to their entitlement, bringing it up to £79 - still below the amount they were receiving. They would, therefore, receive not a penny extra.

The purchase of the hungalow had thus fallen through. "Every night he carries her up and down the stairs, but of course we are told by the Prime Minister that they are not losers. They are among the 88 per cent no worse off."

Mr David Harris (St Ives, C) intervened to say that his information was that the Sinclairs' supplementary benefit payment had been £89.73 ekly, but that income support had been awarded at £93 a week.

Mr Cook said that he had got his figures from Mr Sinclair only last week. Mr Sinclair had been clearly of the view that he would be unable to huy the house he needed and was a loser under the changes

Any disabled person claiming for the first time would start at the new benefit levels. A study by 15 citizens' advice bureaux had shown that 44 of 80 claimants would get lower bene-fit than they would have got before April 11.

Of 20 pensioners in the study, 14 would be worse off. Of 19 disabled claimants, 16 would be These were deeply disturbing

figures, even more disturbing because every year a third of imants came on to the books of the social security system for the first time, so that next April third of all claimants on income support would be assessed at the new levels.

About 15,000 people would lose all social security because they or their partner worked for more than 24 hours. One couple among them was Mr and Mrs Godden, of Bristol, whose case Mr Sinclair, of Cornwall, whose _he had raised yesterday. Mrs Godden suffered from

Teachers had written that

boys as young as six were hringing these papers in to school to cover desks for art

These pictures were helping to

create a sexual climate that

encouraged sexual assault, rape and sexual abuse of women and

the Government benches had rocked with laughter. The Government's support-

multiple sclerosis, which would

get worse. Already, she could barely walk the length of the house. She had three young

daughters, the youngest aged two and the eldest eight. She had

a mentally handicapped son who stayed in hospital during

week and came home at

For such a household, Mrs

Godden needed constant atten-dance. Mr Godden could give

np his job and stay at home, with the family living entirely on social security. But be had chosen not to do that and had struggled to hold down his joh which involved his working six

days a week from 9pm to 6pm.

There was another twist to the

Goddens' story, it was true that they were living rate and rent free, but it was a tied house, so

that if Mr Godden gave up his work the family would be rendered homeless.

He would not be able to forget

the reaction to the Goddens'

story in the House the previous day. When the Secretary of State (Mr Moore) said that the

Goddens had been on holiday,

He took home £128 a week.

claimants should not have holi-days but should be confined to some kind of housebound

Mr Cook: Ministers could not even convince their own staff about the changes

In fact, the family had spent 12 days in Plymouth visiting Mrs Godden's relatives, using a caravan lent by Mr Godden's employers free and renting a field for £2 a night. That, and the petrol from Bristol, had been the entire cost of the holiday.

But the Government had done something for Mr Godden. It would be churlish not to mention it. As a result of the Budget, his weekly wage had gone up from £128 to £130. So he had gained £2 a week while losing £48 from benefit. "Here we come to the final

and shaming contrast between the tax cuts in March and the benefit cuts in April. There need have been no losers at all from the social security changes. We know that We know the Government had the money to prevent there being any losers because the Chancellor found £2.080 million to give to 750,000 top-rate taxpayers last

"There was no talk of targeting their need in the Budget speech, no talk of concentraing help where it was most needed ers clearly believed that disabled last month. The Chancellorgave home.

Firms well placed to benefit

away more money to those 750,000 rich than the money in the social security budget for 12 million claimants.

"That tells us all we need to know about this Government's priorities; this Government that helps the rich and punishes the poor. It is against those prior-ities that we will vote tonight (prolonged Opposition cheers and scattered applause).

SECURITY

Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Social Services, said that it was extraordinary that the Opposition should call for an emergency debate on the social security changes when they had been discussed and debated repeatedly in minute detail over the past months and

The changes had been under scrutiny both in the Commons and the House of Lords since the review process started in 1983-84. For example, the Social Security Act, 1986, which pro-vided the legislative base for the changes, had been debated for more than 234 hours.

On the case of the Godden family, he said that the total frome for the family was £247.70 a week for a family of five, living rent and rate free with one working son living at

Study of fire risks is ordered

The Government is to ask the Fire Research Station to have another look at the fire risks that may be posed by polystyrene tiles, Mr John Butcher, Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said during questions.

Mr Michael Stern (Bristol North West, C) asked whether the minister planned to extend the steps being taken in respect of foam-filled furniture, to safe-guard the public against fire from polystyrene tiles.

Mr Butcher said that the research station had pre-viously reported that polystyrene, when properly installed, represented no significant addition to hazards, but he would ask the station to update its report.

Ilea debate is denied

An appeal by a Labour MP for an emergency debate on a poll of parents in London which showed them to be in favour of retaining the In-ner London Education Authority was rejected.

Mr Jerenny Corbyn (Islington North, Lab) said that, of 265,596 ballot papers issued, 145,259 had been returned. Parents had been asked whether they were in favour of or against the forthcoming transfer of education functions to the local authorities.

"On the vote that took place, 8,004 voted in favour of the transfer and 137,021 voted against. In other words, 94.3 per cent of the vote 94.3 per cent of the vote cast was against the transfer which represents an absolute majority of all those who were eligible to vote in the election (Labour cheers). In other words, 51 per cent of parents of London children have said no to transfer."

Gross profits are rising

The latest figures available for gross profits showed a trend of rising and increasing success in manufacturing industry, Mr Francis Mande, Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, told MPs.

He said that these profits, up to 1986, including income from selfemployment, increased at current prices from £2.2 billion in 1984, to £2.3 billion in 1985 and £3 billion in

Mr Douglas Henderson Newcastle upon Type North. Lah) said that manufacturing investment was still I l per cent lower than in 1979. The pathetic level of rescarch and development in this country was lower than in France, Germany, Italy. There should be an inquiry to consider the impact of that on investment.

Steel quota

Campaign
Mr Robert Atkins, Under
Secretary of State for Trade,
repeated at question time
that Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister of Trade and In-dustry, was at the forefront of the campaign in the EEC to abolish steel quotas.

Mr Phillip Oppenheim
(Amber Valley, C) said that
quotas cost jobs by pushing up steel prices. Extension
of quotas would do the
British economy nothing but

Scottish law The School Boards (Scot-land) Bill was read a second time in the Commons on

Tuesday night. Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Questions: Treasury; Prime Minister, Health and Medicines Bill, completion of remaining stages. Lords (3): Public Utility Transfers and Water Charges Bill, report. Licensing Bill,

ative pose. Millions of people were freely exercising their choice every day to buy these newspapers. The from men, supporting her proposals. About a dozen of the leners because of the shortage of parliamentary time. Urban plans making good progress

'Nudes ban' Bill introduced

Excellent progress is being made in implementing the Government's programme for the inner cities, Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister of Trade and Industry, said

during ouestions. An order would be laid before Parliament next month to set up the new Lower Don Valley Urban Development Corpora-tion, near Sheffield, and consulMerseyside Development Cor-

poration. The first of 20 Safer Cities initiatives had been launched in Wolverhampton and the first of six new inner-city Small Firms Service offices was to be opened in Sheffield on April 19. Mr Robert Adley (Christ-

tants were about to be appointed to report on the extension of the

church, () said that, although he. welcomed the progress being made, resources for investment, hoth in the public and private sectors, were inevitably finite.

"For property developers particularly, the pickings for developing in the over-developed, luscious South are far easier than in those urban areas to which he alluded."

Mr Clarke said that he did not accept that the level of investment was inevitably ficoncern about the pattern of

development. The measures in the Action

for Cities programme would make it more attractive to develop in those areas pre-viously in decline,

from EEC single market



challenges of the European Community single market, Mr Francis Maude, Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said at question time.

It was a sad reflection on the competitiveness of British industry, be said, to suggest that the advantages of the single market, due to be completed in 1992, would be "all one way" in favour of our EEC partners. He thought that British companies were well placed to benefit from

the opportunities the single market would offer. An important phase in publicizing the advantages of the single market would start Lancaster House, London, next Monday.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, SLD) asked why the Government would not join

the European Monetary System before completion of the single market. Would the Secretary of well placed to benefit from the opportunities the single market would offer. State (Lord Young of Graffham) still be saying the time was not right in 1992? Mr Maude said that it was not

had estimated the huge savings in British customs administration from 1992 onwards?

Mr Mande said that there should be significant admin-istrative savings. It had also been estimated that there would be significant economic advan-tages to the whole of the

A report by the European Commission indicated that there should be an increase to the GNP of the Community in the order of £140 billion. That would be of great advantage to the United Kingdom.

Those suggesting the advantages would be all one way was a sad reflection on the competitiveness of British companies. British companies were in fact Mr Brace Grecott (The

Wrekin, Lah) said that at the time of the original entry into the EEC the public had been Sir Ian Lloyd (Havant, C) asked whether the Government had estimated the burn arms.

Since then there had been an increasing deficit in manufacturing industry between Britain and her partners. Mr Mande said that those who said British companies would not gain from the single

market were wrong. The United Kingdom was already open for trade to a greater extent than the rest of the Community. Mr Hugh Dykes (Harrow East, C) asked how there was going to be a single European market without harmonization of indirect taxes.

Mr Mande said that the United States had had a very satisfactory single market for 200 years despite some 50 different rates of sales tax and different systems of sales tax as

taivage the source. There is some justification for such doubts: the Conservative whips are formidable arm-twisters whenever the Government appears to be in any serious dancer.

There is also a tactical consid-

Church Commissioners Inner cities fund is agreed

A measure to allow the Church Commissioners to contribute £1 million a year to a special fund to help the church to the inner cities was passed without a vote by the Commons late on Tues-day night. A national appeal for contributions to the fund is being launched next week. The measure was moved for

ael Alison, who said that it updated their powers so that they could assist dioceses with finances for church buildings in any area where social and economic changes had taken It also gave them senarate powers to make payments to the Church Urban Fund, which had been established in the Church

the commissioners by Mr Mich-

of England to target financial assistance to urban priority He said that the establishment of the fund had been recommended by the archibishops'

commission on urban priority It had been recognized that most of the fund's resources would have to come through a national appeal. The churches were shortly to embark on one



historic step to raise not less than £18

The fund's resources should of £1 million from the church commissioners, who were confident that that would not prejudice their existing commit-ments or their basic object: the

financial support of the clergy. Mr Simon Hughes (Southwark and Bermondsey, SLDP) "We are making a most said that the fund was to be launched on April 20 and the tremendous effect upon the two archbishops had asked that

in all churches the next weekend there be an appeal. "This is going to be an essential method whereby the church can fund its mission in

our urban areas." Mr Alistair Burt (Bury North, Mr Alistair Burt (Bury North, C) said that real renewal was based around the church's hiblical teaching and not around its social policies and social skills. It must always remember that the renewal which was God's work must come first.

Concentrate too much on the social and political side and move people 100 far away from God and they would not make the right connections and decisions. He believed that the measure would be sensibly used by the church to achieve exactly what was needed. Mr John Blackburn (Dudley

West, C) said that MPs should

applaud the fact that, for the

first time in so many years, the

church had stopped, examined itself and produced the method by which it should move forward well into the next century. spiritual values of this country."

MP's hat trick that upsets everybody

r Michael Mates has achieved a curious hat trick with his amendation to the community charge Bill on which the House of Commons will be voting next week. It has upset the Government, is supported with apparently only tepid eathusiasm by the Oposition, but stands a serious chance of winning a majority in the House. majority in the House. The Government's dilemma is easy to understand. Here is a

major amendment to the most controversial legislation now be-fore Parliament, which has been put forward not by a congenital rebel but by one of the most senior and respected of Conser-vative backbenchers.

Relating the charge to a person's tax rate would be much more than a minor adjustment. It would overturn the principle of a flat-rate charge, to which selves so often and so publicly. If it is passed it will seriously complicate the introduction of a community charge in Scotland, which is due next year. So it would also inflict a serious psychological blow on the Government.

claim, mitigate one of the most objectionable features of the Bill: that it pays scant regard to the individual's ability to pay. So it might make the legislation less socially divisive and politi-cally contentions. But soverncally contentions. But governments rarely choose to have wisdom thrust upon them in such humiliating circumstances.

Why then should the Labour Why then should the Labour Party seem so halfbearted about supporting the amendment? A little while ago it was thought that it might even refuse to do so, thereby scuppering whatever chance there might be of defeating the Government — though one is now told that this was always a mistaken impression.

that it has been taking an Opposition's duty to oppose too literally. Why should they bother, some Labour members have been reasoning, to improve had Conservative legislation? Why should they help the Government out of a ditch of its But such a cynical approach would so easily be exposed and would make Labour's moral outrage seem utterly begns.

Geoffrey Smith taking a different attitude. It will



first vote for its own amend-ments and then, in the sure expectation that these are bound to be defeated, it will vote for the Mates amendme

It will do so, though, without much gusto. That is partly because Lubour leaders regard the Mates proposal as no more than a marginal improvement, and partly because they think it has little chance of success.

There is also a tactical consideration. The Government can be defeated only by a sizeable Conservative revolt supported by a strong Labour turnout. But the more noisy and jubilant the Labour support, the more Tory rebets are liable to be frightened off at the last moment.

So the rebellion can be successful only if it is very clearly led by Conservatives. Even if it fails next week, it could still achieve a more long-term purpose if the Government's imaginity is cut sharply. A strong armiest vote in the Commons armiest vote in the Commons protest vote in the Commons could encourage the Lords to vote for a similar amendment.

It has always seemed that the Bill was liable to have a more difficult passage in the Lords than on its initial course through the Commons. But the Lords are customarily reluctant to manufacture that is implementable.

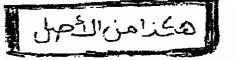
Conservative rebellions until a government's manifesto com-they see the members walking mitment unless there is evidence through the lobbies. There is of considerable unesse in the

Even then there can be no certainty that an amendment passed by the Lords would be accepted by the Government. But a strong vote for the Mates proposal next week would improve the chances of passing it in the Lords and make the Government more hestiant about asking the Commons to reverse such a ommons to reverse such a ion later.

But would it be right to pass it? It is not perfect. It would make the dividing line all the sharper between paying no tax and paying standard rate, and between paying standard rate and 40 per cent. This is a serious consideration, but the more taxation is reduced the less force it has.

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I would vote for the amendment because, despite its failings, it would take the sting out of the widespread feeling of unfairness. It would embarrass ministers in the short term. But in the long run I believe it would also he to the Government's advantage as well as being



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James Buckley, a project engineer with Royal Crown Derby Porcelain, is the first of our featured finalists so far who has not been able to fall back on a mathematical background.

"I was the geography and history type," he says, "rather than physics and chemistry. But with

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the numbers questions you could usually tell if you had it right. I collaborated with another department head here at the factory, and whenever he reckoned I'd got something wrong, then it was straight back to the drawing board."

The most time-consuming ques-

tion for him was: "Who wrote Music For Supermarkets?" In the end he simply browsed through a local music shop until he found it. The questions have become far more demanding this week. "I'm sticking with it," he says. "I think I was booked right from the second

or third day."

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	50	27	it again in a different order.

The groups of letters which follow are jumbled words. Unscramble the words and discover the most obvious odd one out.

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3 MATHS

You have just received a tax rebate but the cashier has made a mistake. He has written the figure which should be for pounds in the pence section and the figure for pence in the pounds section. This gives you quite a bit more cash, so you go out and spend 28.76. You then check your change and to your surprise discover that you now have exactly eight times what you were entitled to receive in the first place. How much ought you to have received from the Inland Revenue?

4 MISCELLANEOUS

A square is made up 196 smaller squares, arranged in a 14 square by 14 square grid. Caa you tell us how many different rectangles of any shape and size you can count?

1. Which republic in the Pacific Ocean has an area of 2,130 hectares. and, in 1982, had a population of

2. Which pathologist originated the concept that disease arises in the individual cells of a tissue with his publication of Cellular Pathology?

3. Which series of conferences on science and world affairs is named after the village in which the first one was held?

4. In which science fiction novel was Laban Twissell a character?

5. On which English peak would you find Hell Gate, Heaven Gate add Needle's Eye?

Quick, quick, slow

Thirty years ago this year Harold Macmillan cut the tape on an eight-mile section of road which, in itself, did nothing more revolutionary than by-pass Preston, Lan-cashire. It was, however, the route number of the road rather than its immediate purpose which demanded the Prime Minister's attendance. He was officially opening the M6 - the first strand in a web which, by 1988, was to en-twine mainland Britain in

1,850 miles of motorway. Within a year of the Preston ceremony, Ernest Marples, the Minister of Transport, had opened the first 72 miles of the MI. The prospect of dis-appearing bottlenecks was too pleasing, the voices of the defenders of the environment too faint, for the swathes of tarmac with their blue roadside signs to be greeted with anything but rapture.

It was not until the mid-1970s that anyone began to questioo where the oew liberated traffic was going - and wbether the great urban centres, likely to form at least ooe end of most motorway journeys, could cope with it.

But by that time another transport landmark had come and gone. The 30th birthday Are motorways the dynamo for urban congestion?

William Greaves and Rodney Cowton report

only anniversary heing commemorated this year: the Beeching Report - precursor of the Beeching Axe - was published 25 years ago last month. Since then, Britain's operational rail network has shrunk from 17,000 miles to little more than 10,000.

The future of the railways

was never considered as part of an integrated national transport policy. New high-ways were being built fast, and Dr Richard Beeching, then chairman of the British Railways Board, was given a straightforward brief: make the railways pay. The flight from train to car has sioce proceeded unabated, with full government ap-proval. The lot of the motorist has been greatly improved -but many critics believe at a cost to our city centres. The year before the first

section of the MI was opened, the most optimistic average speed for a journey from the outskirts of Manchester to



there is no reason wby it should be much short of 70mph. Then, there were eight millioo vehicles registered in Britain - now there are 21.7 millioo. Then, every town and most sizeable villages were linked into the rail network by the time the Beeching axe had finished swinging there were 700 fewer stations.

retreat from the railways that today 79 per cent of all

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Britain's freight goes by road - dwarfing the comparable figures for France (52 per cent) and Germany (51 per cent) and exceeded among EEC countries only by Ireland and Denmark.

During the course of last year 38 million vehicles were recorded passing over one stretch of the MI between Hemel Hempstead and the M10 junction in Hertfordshire, little more than 20 miles away from central London. Many of these were, of course, the same vehicles passing backwards and forwards, but a large proportion would have been on journeys into and out of the capital.

As the Civic Trust's London Amenity and Transport Association says io its manifesto, London in the Nineties: "The demand for more road space for cars is insatiable. Increasby the time the Beeching axe ing the capacity or speed of any part of the road system inevitably encourages more cars, so instead of reducing congestion, road building ac-tually makes it worse."

Peter Bottomley, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Transport, disagrees. "I haven't seen any prosperous country that hasn't got good roads," he says. "When the Romans arrived in Britain they lit beacons and built roads in a straight line between them. That policy led to the Pilgrim's Way, and today all we are doing is rediscovering what Chaucer already knew.

"Motorways carry 14 per cent of British road traffic and produce only 4 per cent of fatal accidents. A recent study showed that most people feel unsafe on a motorway, yet where they really ought to feel unsafe is io built-up areas, where 40 per cent of all traffic contributes 75 per cent of accidents causing injury.
"We are determined that

our motorways meet three objectives wealth creation, casualty reduction and environmental improvement. To be prosperous we oeed roads. But three times as many working days are lost through road accidents than industrial iojuries, so we need motorways which are statistically

It was in the mid-1970s that technic lecturer, gave up his job to throw his weight behind the objectors' cause at a string of motorway public inquiries. Although he won many battles - and was to a large extent responsible for the iotroduction of a more democratic means of deciding on road routes - he has now retired to Gloucestershire and admits that he lost the war. He also remains convinced that motorways have created many new problems.

"People say they have re-

duced congestion and ac-cidents and led to economic growth - whereas they have done the opposite," he insists. "Cars and lorries neither begin nor end their journey at a motorway. They might bypass a lot of places along the way but they use the motorway to get more quickly to their destination, where they again enconnter pedestrians and cyclists and merely add to congestion and accidents. The the more extra traffic is

surrounding her is affoat. Tomorrow evening, to mark the 76th anniversary of the sink-

ing, Onslow's, a two-man team of London auctioneers, will sell 150 items of Titanic

Some — like the postcard written by 19-year-old Joe Nicholls of Cornwall saying "Wish you wer hear (sic)"

(estimate more than £1,000), and the White Star Line

saucer snatched up by a bos's as the ship sank (£4,000 to £6,000) — have had specific

contact with the Titanic. Oth-

ers, such as the sheet music celebrating "the gallant and ill-lated crew", stem from the

industry that sprang up

Most eerie of all is the "spirit photograph" of W.T. Stead, the distinguished

journalist last seen alive on

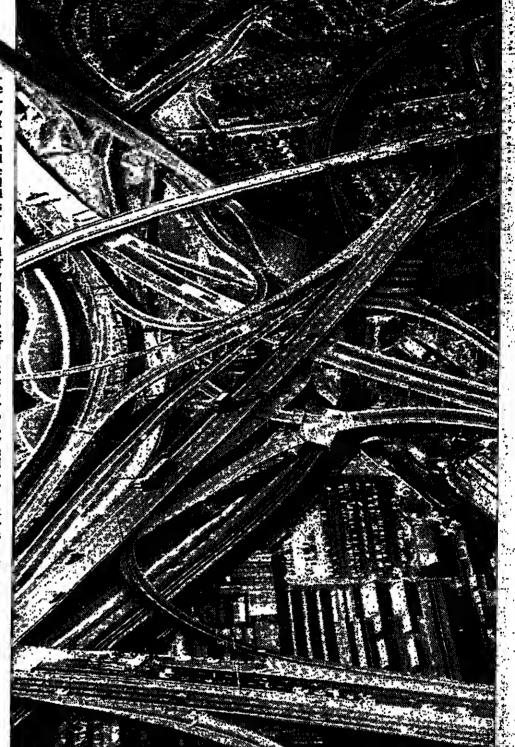
leck as the ship went down,

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appeared at several seauces in the following months. The photograph shows a bearded, disembodied face, and is esti-

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nated at around £400.



Far from stimulating economic growth, Tyme says, motorways have blighted the inner cities and displaced industry to less appropriate

settings.
Although the Department of Transport argues that since motorways and rail lines gen-crally follow the same "cor-

- thus offering the ridors" traveller similar routes - its senior officials concede that the closure of branch lines means that, if a car has to be used to get to the nearest surviving station, there is a temptation to use it for the

whole journey. Motorways have revolu-

tionized travel and pushed car ownership beyond all predictions. As support grows for the partial prohibition of traffic in city centres, it will be ironical if the road-builders' success is responsible for handing to the trains and buses the exclusive contract for the final run into

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afterwards.

In pursuit of the trivial



SARAH JANE CHECKLAND A weekly look at the art world

"I don't think there'll be anything left," Patrick Bogne, of Onslow's, says. "Every-thing is disposable." In Britain we tend to con-

centrate on the stardier, more conventional aspects of our heritage — paintings, sculp-ture, buildings and the occa-sional plough. Even the industries that produce ephemera have little concern with their past; apart from honorable exceptions such as Sainsbury's and Colman's, they often have no archives. Some large companies have thrown away those that they

Enter the 700-member Ephemera Society, whose members we have to thank for many collections: David Cheshire, of London, for ice-Cheshire, of London, for ice-lolly wrappers; A.I. Ferguson, of Devon, for sick-bags; J. Lane, of Ascot, for means; D.C. Drummond, of Surrey, for "any material relating to rate and unice". Kinally counter for "any material remains au rats and mice". Finally comes Robert Opie, who has for 25 years been collecting packaging ephemera, from Typhoo tea to Persil soap, and latterly discharging them in his

displaying them in his "People are interested to see their own personal history, he says. "The bar of chocolat or packet of cigarettes you look forward to are friends, part of your life." His museum

also serves a traditional, archival function, charting the ad-vance of labour-saving commdities such as acrosols and frozen food. The Ephsoc, as its members

call it, was set up in 1975 on the initiative of Maurice Rickards, a designer and edi-tor and therefore a "producer of ephemera all my life", Sister societies have since sprung ap in America, Austra-lia and Canada.

Rickards believes his members' motivation is a mixture of compulsive collecting (like the cigarette card fanatic, determised to form a full set) and missionary zeal (the argent need to secure a social history which would otherwise disappear). But there is in-

Now, thanks to pressures by the Ephsoc, Rickards believes museums are becoming an interested in ephemera. 1985, for instance, the Nation al Library of Scotland set up an archive devoted to Scotlish ephemera, and is inviting contributions from the public.

Whether or not the nation takes to sponging down and saving its milk cartons, many areas of ephemera are ahready lost: papers bearing insulting slogans which used to be placed on the heads of offendars in the alliance of the care in the alliance of the care in the alliance of the care. princed on the news of officers in the pillery 200 years ago, for example; papers which used to be snapped into the back of pocket watches, bearing details of repairs, or mementos from the owner's lover; only recently, and on a frozen food packets.

Finally, come smells. Although Opic "would lave to recreate the smell of Wook, worth's, or Timothy White's" even he has not set his mind to the challenge of th the challenge. For the moment, he is intending to approach industry for funds for

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a new scientific study indicates. Victoria McKee reports

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Not only do eccentrics live longer than the norm, they are also healthier, happier and more inteltigent, on average, than the rest of the populatioo. Understanding why. Dr David Weeks helieves, could hold the key to a healthier life for us all.

Weeks, author of Eccentrics. The Scientific Investigation, is a principal chinical psychologist at the Royal Edinburgh Hospital. (Fortunately for his work, eccentries tend to congregate in university cities such as Edinburgh; Dublin, Oxford, Cambridge and the south coast of England also boast a substantial share.)

Since genmae eccentrics are only about one io 10,000 of the population, Weeks and his re-searcher, Kate Ward, had to seek them out. They tacked up a card in every pub, hospital, launderette and academic common room in Edinburgh: "Eccentric? If you feel you taight be, contact Dr David Weeks... "They hoped its quirkiness might appeal to their subjects. (It did.) They publicized their quest in organs as diverse as New Scientist and The Scottish Daily Record to make sure they reached a cross-section of the community. Weeks never expected, he ad-

coveries about the effect of eccentricity on physical health, but it is these unsought revelations that have the greatest ramifications for

mits, to make such startling dis-

the rest of us.
Weeks came to admire the sense

of humour, creative imagination and strong will which he discovered are common charisteristics of eccentrics — and believes these traits belp keep them healthy. They have an over-riding curiosity that drives them on and makes them oblivious to the irritations and stresses of daily life that

"They don't try to 'keep up with the Joneses', they doo't worry about conforming and they usu-ally have the firm belief that they are right and the rest of the world is wrong," Weeks says.

plague the rest of us.

Eccentricity, he stresses, is not mental illness. In a sense it can act as a protectioo against more serious mental disorders, as the mild cowpox vaccine prevents a full-blown case of smallpox.

"I am already using what I've learned from my study of eccentrics io treating the patients referred to me for depression," Weeks says, "and I'm certainly getting better results than I was before. I tell them to loosen up - to use their sense of humour and their imagination. Neurotic patients are generally over-serious."

elebrities as diverse as Michael Jacksoo, Katherine Hepburn, Bob Dylan, Brigitte Bardot, David Bel-lamy, the Duke of Edioburgh and the Prince of Wales are on Weeks's unofficial list of eccentrics (as are the majority of those who regularly write to newspapers). And if there is already an eccentric or two in the family there is a much greater likelihood that there will be another.

Britain, it seems, is a fertile breeding ground because, Weeksfeels, the climate is right. "You won't find-eccentries tolerated in

Israel or Poland or Japan," he says, "but the United States runs about neck and neck with Britain and Holland is a close second."

Whereas male eccentrics come from all walks of life, the female has been largely a phenomenon of the upper middle classes, according to Weeks, and is much more assertive than other members of ber sex or than male eccentrics. "To me Lucinda Lambton typifies that type of woman - although she denies she is eccentric."

Most eccentrics are aware that they are out of the ordinary, which is why they responded with such enthusiasm to Weeks's call. One, Alan Fairweather, has existed happily for many years on a daily diet of 4 lb of potatoes, hoiled io their jackets, supplemented by Mars bars, Vitamin C tablets, endless cups of tea and the occasional haggis. "I'm a sucker for surveys," he coofesses. "Various chums had laughingly told me I was eccentrie but I'd never really seen it myself."

Fairweather, who lives io an elegaot, antique-filled Edwardian bouse in Edioburgh, rents out his four bedrooms - preferring, "not just for pecuniary gaio", to sleep on the floor of his gloomy study, surrounded by his library of books on travel, botany and potatoes.

Fairweather, aged 45, is a freelance botanist and works as a potato iospector for the Department of Agriculture. He loves travel, and for a busman's holiday goes to Peru, birthplace of the potato, to visit the loternational Potato Centre.

"My health is certainly above average. I doo't believe in illness. And I've got my own sense of humour - sometimes I fall about laughing at things others don't



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Dr David Weeks: already using what he has learned from eccentrics to help people with depression

'They don't try to keep up with the Joneses, and they don't worry about conforming'

"Dr Weeks's study is very interesting," he says, "but I doo't see how he can scientifically base it in veterinary science they say you need to first 'know the norm', and how do you define oormality?

It was Margaret Russell's friends who oudged her when they saw Weeks's advertisement in the local paper. "Your husband is eccentric," they told ber - but she didn't need to be told. "I had often used that word about Russell myself," she says.

Russell Eherst is 48 and works as information officer for the Royal Edinburgh Observatory but

it is his out-of-work preoccupation which causes comment. Three computers dominate the Ebersts' sitting room and are always oo line - tracking the orbits of the thousands of satellites lauoehed since Eberst first became fascinated by them with Sputnik 2 30 years ago. His interest began in childhood, his first job was as a satellite predictor, and he has

never looked down since. For outdoor tracking he uses powerful binoculars because "satellites move too quickly for a fixed telescope". His house is full of star charts and the notebooks in which meticulously records his

Although he suffers from ehronic hay fever and a stiff back, which his wife is coovinced was brought on from tracking satellites over the years in cold, damp gardens, he says that he is never really ill. "I suppose he's healthier than the lot of us because be doesn't worry much," Margaret shrewdly suggests.

Although she knew of her husband's love affair with astroonmy when she married him she had oo idea how all-consuming it was, or how much it would affect her life. On their wedding night, she recalls, her husband got up at 3am to see the coojunction of Mercury and Venus.

The Ebersis have three children: Alistair, aged 23, Duncan, aged 20 and Laura, aged 14, each of whom has an obsessional interest. "The children are all a bit odd," their mother cheerfully observes. They're all obsessional: for Alistair it's religion and zoology - he goes in for religious, charismatic, dancing. For Duncan it's roleplaying games — he sells them and plays them with friends in his spare time. And for Laura it's dance. We've never had children who didn't know what they wanted to do."

Weeks, aged 43, is himself somewhat unconventional: an American who arrived in Scotland in a Polaris submarine with the US Navy, he married a Scotswnman and changed direction. He got his Master of Philosophy for his work on hypochondria and specializes in psychogeriatrics, which is what turned his attention tn eccentricity as eccentric traits are normally heightened with age.

eek's book crammed with charts and tables for the scientific community but written,

hopes, for a popular audience, too - includes a lengthy eccentricity self-test. There are 100 statements which you may designate True or False, for example: "The majority of people are too stupid to understand which things io life are really important", "I prefer to ignore people I know but have not seen for a long time, unless they speak to me first" and "I use my inner resources to handle any anxiety that comes my way". If you believe those three true of yourself then you are heading io "the eccentric direction"; if you have the nbsessional interest to complete the Eccentricity Pre-Disposition Self-Test, you probably qualify as

Is joining any society or seri-nusly collecting anything a sign of eccentricity? No, says Weeks. But if what you collect starts taking over your home or your life, or if you launch an admiration society. of King Ludwig of Bavaria and you are the only member - start worrying. Or rather, stop worry-ing you'll probably live longer and feel fitter than your "normal" friends. If you have any . . .

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Prince may find help in the bag

The Prince of Wales has had a rough time recently, so rough, it is reported, that there are times when he is so tense that his puscles lock. Although the description of his symptoms, should they be accurate, sound harrisic, his problem seems to be no more than carpo-pedal spasms, a common symptom of the hyper-ventilation syndrome: over-breathing or

ventiliation syndrome: over-breathing or panting respirations often induced in pat-ients streased by anxiety, fatigue or grief. If somebody, breathes more quickly than nature intended, the carbon dioxide in the blood is flushed out, with subse-quent changes in blood scidity. This re-sults, if sufficiently severe, he a tight contraction of the muscles of the hands and feet, which go into a spasm. At the same

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MEDICAL BRIEFING

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

time, the patient often notices numbuess around the mouth, pins and needles gen-erally, and a feeling of faintness which may even lead to an actual faint.

Alarming as these changes are, the symptom which really worries the suf-ferer is an associated chest pain and tightness, so that he (or more often she) wonders if they are to suffer a coronary

alcohol intake. This week

there was more bad news for

caffeine addicts. Professor

James Renwick, of the Lon-

doo School of Hygiene and

Tropical Medicine, has writ-

ten to The Lancer to warn that

large doses of coffee given to

pregnant mice can certainly

give rise to foetal abnormal-ides. There was also some

evidence nf a link between a

high coffee intake in the

human mother and congenital

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her baby. His advice was sim-

ilar to that of the cardiologist:

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thrombosis or a stroke. The more anxious patients become, the faster they breathe, and the worse the symptoms. Rather than rushing to consult distant experts on stress diseases, the easier, but rather undignified way to resolve the situation is for the patient to find a paper bag, put it over his mouth and nose (rather like a carriage horse having its lunchtime outs) and re-breathe the expired carbon dioxide. The usually recommended first aid drill is to take 10 deliberate, slow breaths into the bag,

Classic cause

pause for a few minutes, and then repeat the process, breathing into the bag intermittently until all the symptoms have gone. A plastic bag should, of course, never be used.

Most people remember the story of Lysistrata and the influence that women were able to exert on

their partners long before there were evening classes in the practice of assertive skills. Women Against Cervical Can-cer have decided to follow her example and withhold their affection and favours from their male partners unless they either have written to they either have written to their local MP in support of their cause, or sent a contribution to the organization's funds, by May 1.

Although the emphasis in this and other campaigns has been on the failure of the health services to encourage those most at risk to att routine screening, on the inadequacy of the present service because of the inordinate intervals between testing, and on the problems of recall gen-erally, clinicians still worry more about the accuracy of testing. Teaching hospital experts will, if pressed, quote statistics which suggest that up to one third of positive smears may be missed because of faulty methods of collection.

Most of the important changes in the structure of the cervix take place at the junction of the two types of the epithelial covering of the cer-vix, the squamocolumnar junction. To collect cells from this point the doctor must obtain a good view of the cervix, and so nipulate the spatula to obtain a scrape of the tissue prescience saved her life.

from this area. All too often

when the doctor is inexperienced and a clear view is not obtained, a smear which is worse than useless, because it misleading, is sent to the laboratory. It may then, on the evidence before it, issue a falsely optimistic report.

In the past, genito-minary physicians, when collecting cells for examination from the male wethra, have used a long curette with a short limb on the end (accurately described by patients as a hockey stick) or a very fine bottle brush. The medical magazine Monitor quotes a research study from the University of Virginia in which a similar, very line brash was used, quite painlessly, to collect the cells from a woman's cervix. In this series the use of the brush reduced the number of useless smears from 12.5 per cent to 2.4 per cent in younger women, and from 15.7 to 2.1 per cent in

known woman journalist had a "negative" smear one month but dissatisfied by the standard of care she had received. she had another taken elsewhere, which was positive. When operated on, the cervix shawed three different areas where there was carringma in situ, and one where the growth was invasive. The woman was very tall and slightly overweight - characteristics which make a good view difficult. It seems her first doctor must have given up the struggle to visualize the cervix and merely pointed his spatula hopefully in the right direction. Her

A few years ago a well-

Allergy treatment, once shunned by doctors, is now officially sanctioned

llergies, which have almost been ignored by the medical proare at last becoming officially recognized. Guy's Hospital in the country's first specialist professor of allergies and allied respiratory disorders, and hopes to have a fully-staffed research unit in operation by October. The new chair, funded by the Asthma Research Council, is being set up to look into the many health problems now known to be caused by allergic reactions. At the same time, the Royal College of Physicians is setting

up training courses for doctors io the diagnosis and treatment of allergies. As yet, most doctors have oo training at all in this branch of medicine.

These moves will, it is hoped, help to put the science of allergies oo a proper footing.

It is estimated that one in six people oow suffers from an allergy of some kind, and that allergies are far more common than used to be the case. As yet, few sufferers can get any kind of help on the NHS, and have had little choice but to resort to the private allergy testing clinics. And although some may be perfectly rep-utable and offer a good service, it is still the case that anybody at all can set op an allergy clinic without having any qualifications or expertise in the subject.

There has been an allergy clinic at Guy's for the past 10 years, which is why the hospital was chosen to house the research unit. Several private clinics were

"exposed" in The Lancet last year when Maurice Lessof, Professor of Medicine at Guy's, and colleagues sent them strands of hair for



Searching for the sources: Professor Maurice Lessof.

Not to be sneezed at

suffered from an already coofirmed fish allergy, while the nthers were not allergy

Io every case, the clinics, which were charging up to £65 a time for the testing service. failed in diagnose the fish allergy. They did, though, discover a wide range of allergies in the other, allergyfree patients. The other significant factor of the study was that all the clinics diagnosed completely different allergies. There was no consensus at all.

allergy clinie at Guy's, says: "The problem is that doctors have neglected allergies for so long that they have allowed bogus and fringe clinics to

come in and fill the vacuum. "Because of the damage done by these clinics, we are now having to treat patients who are suffering from quite bad malnutrition because they have been put on crazy diets. A standard treatment for food allergies is to put people oo a diet which is supposed to exclude the offending substance. Very often, though,

finding the substance is a highly complicated and time-consuming procedure. Allergies can be very serious, and some treatment can only be administered at a specialized Lessof defines allergy as the

body over-reacting to a substance which, for most people, is perfectly harmless. Allergens can ioclude pollen, house dust, certaio types of food and industrial pollutants. "Allergens can be easily avoided once they are known. However, there is evidence oow that instances of asthma caused by industrial chemicals are greatly on the increase. These need proper medical attention."

ood allergies, he comments, are often the most difficult both to trace and to treat. "It is here that the private clipics have a field day. They often claim to give immediate answers, which is why they have become popular. We have a skin-prick test here where we put drops of the suspected offending substance on the skin, but it often takes months to find the culprit.

"The fact is, there is still an awful lot we don't know about allergies. We are aware that there is a major hereditary factor, but in many cases we have no idea why certain people should be so sensitive to ordinary foods and substances. This is why I am so pleased that the Asthma Research Council has decided to found a chair in allergy. It is a brand-new venture as, until very recently, the importance' nf allergies has simply not been recognized."

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On the Friday Page: Barbara Amiel meets the woman with six million

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SHERIDAN MORLEY

am now a grand-godfather. On Tuesday, while I was doing the dawn watch on Doug Cameron's LBC breakfast sbow, the phone rang in the studio. I am always nervous of this, since it usually means debt collectors or irate listeners objecting to the content of the programme, or simply to the tone of one's voice. On this occasion, however, it was my eldest goddaughter's father, with news that Kate had just given birth to a son.

I only bope be gets better godfathers than me. I bave five godchildren, ranging from the new mother across twenty years to Nicholas Matthew, aged eight on Monday, and some mornings I lie in bed doing memory tests by trying to recall all their names, since their birthdays usually elude me. I am not bad about Christmas presents, as I can usually work out the date when they should be sent, but I am especially appalled about my forgetfulness during the rest of the year when I think of my own godfather, Peter Bull, who used to send hirthday cards not only to me until I was well over 40 but also to every customer who ever patronized his Zodiac gift shop in Notting Hill Gate.

For his 60th birthday we got the cinema manager directly across the road from his bedroom window to put up the huge neon sign: PETER BULL in The African Queen with Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hephurn. Not bad considering he had a mere seven lines.

t occurred to me this week while chairing the Foyles literary lunch for Nicholas Coleridge and his new book about the racks and rackets of the fashion business that, even by the sartorial standards of other contemporary drama critics, my clothes are somewhat lacking in adequacy. The main problem is the suits, which date from circa 1965 and were all right until I suddenly got thin, well thinner, about two years ago and had them all taken in. Now none of them fits

The other problem is the socks, which seem to come in different colours for each foot. Ned Sherrin swears that when be first went out to open Side by Side by Sondheim, sitting centre stage as the narrator with legs crossed, a woman in the front row of the stalls hissed to her friend in an audible whisper: "I see short socks are back in fashion", Perhaps they still are, but I still worry that most of mine barely make it to my ankles. One magical day I did manage to find a pair in the cupboard that actually reached my calves, only to discover that they were my 12-year-old daughter's school tights and that she didn't care for the way they had been stretched.

alking about Ned Sherrin's socks to Prince Edward on Sunday night (well, one has to talk about something, and we were backstage at Sadler's Wells after doing a fundraiser for Dan Crawford's superb and ever-imperilled King's Head theatre) I was trying to recall other great lines overheard in theatres during first nights. My own favourite is still the two men leaving the Old Vic after the opening of the Peter O'Toole Macbeth: "All I hope now is the dog hasn't been sick in the car."
Running it a close second is a woman's remark at Stratford as the curtain descended on the ritual array of corpses at the end of a long and not wonderful Antony and Cleopatra: 'The very same thing happened to Maureen." All others would be gratefully received at the usual address. There's probably a charity book there somewhere.

BARRY FANTONI



'Now the knock on the door could mean the arrival of a regular deep pan four cheeses to go'

There was a winning moment at Sadler's Wells when the Prince asked Victoria Wood about ber immediate plans. "On Tuesday," said the great and good Miss Wood, "I am opening in Crawley. At the Leisure Centre." Not even Buckingham Palace, I suspect, could teach students of the polite but perfinent reply to follow a

Before we were allowed to meet Prince Edward, a note was passed backstage to the effect that we should not smoke, eat or drink in his immediate vicinity. Smoking I do understand, having long believed that it should be a capital offence, this being about the only penalty not currently threatened to inhalers by Alexander Walker on his telephone-answering machine. But eating and drinking seem to me altogether more dangerous taboos: are we soon to have noeating and no-drinking areas in restaurants. pubs and aeroplanes - and that perhaps followed by a rule requiring everyone to stay in bed at all times, alone and wrapped up warmly? All except officials, that is.

oming out of a four-hour Faust in Hammersmith on Monday night, I

discovered that my car had vanished from the layby outside the puh on the Broadway where I bave been leaving it during first nights for rather more than a decade. Assuming it to have been stolen, I talked to a nice lady at the police station who said not at all, it had simply been taken 100 yards across the road to the car pound, and I could have it back for a mere £55 plus VAT and service and fine. When I got to the pound and complained somewhat bitterly that this was a new one on me, they said that indeed all local parking laws had been changed a couple of weeks ago. What's more, it was in the local paper. So before you trying parking anywhere, I suggest you call in at the nearest newsagent.

Andrew McEwen suggests a British lead to make hijacking harder The odyssey of Flight KU 422 has exposed gaping holes in anti-hijack precautions and revealed that international agreements to stand firm fail if the country

The lessons of Larnaca

understanding of Cyprus's dilemma. A small country heavily dependent on tourism and uncomfortably close to Lebanon should not be expected to show ing the plane, or training a Cypriot special unit for the task, if the hijackers had begun their the same toughness as Britain.

Until the last bours, in fact, President Vassiliou's govern-ment followed the recommended procedures for hijack management: (1) keep the plane on the ground; (2) keep talking: (3) try to wear down the hijackers; (4) make no deals, (5) carefully monitor the hijackers' tone and phraseology to assess their level of desperation; (6) storm the plane only after the hijackers have begun to shed hostages' blood on a significant

But the deal to which it at last agreed — the release of 12 passengers for enough fuel to reach Algeria — undermined all

the earlier good work.
What then should be done to stiffen the mettle of small governments like that of Cyprus and larger, for that matter? IATA suggests the creation of a new international body that would take charge of negotiations and be responsible for the prosecution and imprisonment of culprits. It would have its own highsecurity prisons, presumably on territory which it would own, to prevent the bost country being

exposed to blackmail. Realistically, this is seen as a Utopian approach since few countries would accept the con-sequent loss of national sovereignty. But given the ineffectiveness of present agreements, the unthinkable could well become more thinkable.

And what of the technical lessons of KU 422? Here the answers are simpler but expensive. There are strong grounds for believing that the weak point in security was lack of adequate controls on airport staff at Bangkok airport, where the flight began. The aircraft was on the

ground for 15 hours, giving ground staff the opportunity to put weapons on board, either out of sympathy or because of bribes

The Thai government has insisted that security was adequate and has begun an investigation. But it has shown no willingness to accept suggestions that the investigation should be carried out by an international panel. It probably does not know that a secret test of security measures at Bangkok was conducted by an airline expert not long before the hijacking. His report, yet to be published, said that while there was adequate screening of passengers, arrange-ments for ground staff "could be

The defensiveness shown by the Thai government is under-standable but unnecessary. The same criticism could have been made of the United States, Britain and most other coun-tries. We, as much as they, are guilty of assuming that the threat comes from passengers rather than local employees. Kennedy Airport in New York has 40,000 ground staff, Heathrow not

many fewer, and although super-vised to some extent they do not go through detection controls. The experts admit that ade-quate measures would cost a fortune and would be only partly effective. Existing equipment would spot guns, but would have difficulty detecting plastic explosives in, for example, food containers. The smell of kerosenest containers it difficult sene at airports makes it difficult to calibrate sniffer machines, but refinements are expected in

about two years.
Once a hijacking has begun, how could technology end it more quickly? After Yassir Arafat's claim that the KU 422 hijackers had been taking orders by radio from Iran some officials considered the idea of jamming. But the initial view yesterday was that this would do more

harm than good. If the hijackers were in contact with outside controllers, British and other listening stations would have been tuned in.

One controversial suggestion from a senior government official yesterday was that there should be an agreement to limit publicity during a hijacking, along the lines of accords between the police and press over kidnappings. The aim would be to starve the hijackers of publicity, so reducing the motivation and preventing them receiving information. The Government felt that reports by radio stations in Cyprus of articles in the British press may have enabled the hijackers to guess Britain's views on the use

of force. But hijackings are such international events that a total ban on publicity would be impos-sible to enforce; and in the past security services have obtained vital clues from comments made

by hijackers in press interviews.
What is clear is that the
lessons of KU 422 need to be absorbed quickly, without waiting for a long international debate. The British government could set an example by tighten-ing controls on ground staff at Heathrow. It would be money well spent.

Bernard Levin

This appetite for bad taste

recent Gallup Poll dealt with the public's view of their news-papers. (Also of television and radio, but they are not my concern today.) On the whole, the attitudes revealed were appalling; the public thinks we are liars, invaders of privacy, sex-obsessed, given to hiding unwelcome facts. politically hiased and owned hy the wrong people. I propose to discuss these charges in some detail, but before I do so I wish to draw your attention to the curious behaviour of the dog in the night-time; it didn't bark. To all the contemptuous accusations the public levelled at us in the poll, there is one spectacularly ohvious defence, but as far as my reading of the reports goes, no paper has even mentioned the defence, let alone put it forward and demanded an acquittal.

concerned is too small or vulnerable to implement them. British

ministers and senior airline sources believe Cyprus made a

damaging concession by letting the plane leave for Algeria.

The British government had hoped that the nightmare would

end at Lamaca: peacefully, pref-

erably, hut with the SAS storm-

threatened "slow quiet massa-

re" of bostages.
Rodney Wallis, the International Air Transport Association's security chief, yesterday expressed his "disappointment"

that the Cyprus authorities had allowed the aircraft to leave.

Privately, airline officials were

saying that Cyprus had caved in,

transferring its own problem to

Algeria and probably setting off a fresh crop of hijackings.

men, or some of them, have

taken part in previous hijackings

because of the sophistication they have shown," one official said. "If they are allowed to go

free they will surely strike again,

as well as train others."

"It seems ohvious that these

The reason for the avoidance of any reply to the allegations is as obvious as the reply itself; it seems to me, however, that the newspapers' silence is mistaken. Well, I was not christened Bernard Gregers Werle Levin for nothing; it is my destiny, too, to be thirteenth at table. I therefore propose today to defy the law of omerta and tell the world what is fundamentally wrong with the Gallup Poll's findings, and what I think, but which no newspaper has said, of the public which has so condemned us. First, however, the figures.

Respondents were asked to say, on a scale of one to five, how truthful or untruthful the newspapers are. Broken down by age and sex (old joke, but I can't help that) as well as class, and starting with the quality papers (defined on Gallup's questionnaire as The Times, Guardian, Independent and Telegraph), the following conclusion is reached. Only a fifth of the newspaper-reading public as a whole think we are very truthful, and within that discouraging proportion there are groups which cannot muster a tenth from their ranks to say so. Even when the highest standard of truthfulness is diluted

not persuade half the nation to say that the quality newspapers are generally truthful, and in some sections of the population no more than a fifth would agree with that judgement. (There are, incidentally, huge numbers of "don't knows".)

That, if you please, is the rating of the quality papers. When it comes to the figures for the pops (listed as Sun, Mirror, Star), starting at the other end this time, the dreadful news dawns; four fifths of those polled think, broadly speaking, that the populars hardly ever tell the truth at all, and when we turn the column on its head and inquire of the public as to how many believe the pops to be "very truthful", we find that it ranges from 5 per cent down to 1.

And that is only truthfulness.

Far worse results are recorded on such questions as whether there is too much emphasis in the pops on "sexy" stories (Gallup's quotation-marks); no division of the voters recorded a disapproval level less than three quarters of the sample, and the average was more than 80 per cent. That "there are too many newspapers in the hands of a few owners" is settled wisdom among two thirds of the population and even that conclusion is surpassed by the news that nine out of 10 think it is wrong for newspapers to invade the privacy of ordinary people, and some four out of five think it no less so when the invaded are

hen again, newspapers are, on the whole, not doing a good job telling all sides in controversial issues, and are positively dreadful (around 75-80 per cent in all categories) in bothering to correct mistakes.

Nor can we comfort ourselves, quality or pop, by saying that there is a complete and irrational hostility to news-papers; they back us, even though not very enthusiastically. on such issues as Spycatcher, and much more strongly on "access (well, nobody's perfect) we can- to the way the government



works", and on the whole the public thinks that controls on what we may print are not too

Well, there we are; gin-stained scoundrels in dirty raincoats to a man. What we do not invent we gained by intrusion into privacy. The Royal Family should set the dogs on us, and we spend any remaining time being party hacks and covering up stories, presumably on behalf of anyone who will hribe us to do so. No wonder, then, that in any survey of the public's admiration of listed professions, the nurses come top, and we come fifth from last, beating only pick-pockets, Mafia hil-men, orangutans and lawyers.

Oh, yes? And what about the defence I promised you? It can

be put in a single sentence. It is addressed to you - yes, you over there in the grey jacket, and you with the red nose, and you with the briefcase trying to sidle out of the room because you have just twigged what I am about to say, and you with the provocative blouse (particularly you), and indeed_very many millions more. For my message is for all newspaper readers, assuming as I do - that the Gallup Poll was an accurate sample of public attitudes. Ladies and gentlemen, you are a pack of double-dyed hypocrites.

From the newspapers surveyed by Gallup the Sun, the Mirror and the Star were classified together, selling in total nearly ten million copies every weekday. And to whom do they sell them? Why, to people who

profess to believe that they are disgusting, intrusive, menda-cious, inaccurate, biased and

It has been said that newspaper readers get the newspapers they deserve. The claim is a tautology, used to evade the truth; readers get the papers they want. They - no, you - want boobs on Page 3, Fergie on Page 4, hias on Page 5, rape on Page 6, smearing of Mark Thatcher on Page 9, Di in tears on Page 10, Fiona Wright's Confessions on Page 11, Michael Heseltine's marker for the Tory leadership on Page 12, a delicate hint of incest in the life of Leonard Bernstein on Page 44, the Trotskyites' Exchange and Mart (aka the letters page of the Guardian) on Page 20, and me right here on Page 14.

wrongfully owned.

And what you want you get. A fair enough bargain, one might think, but you don't think it. You buy the papers which give you exactly what you demand, and then despise them for doing so. You have in your hands the remedy (to stop buying them) for what you falsely denounce, and you don't take it because you don't want to, and never did want to; you said those things only to impress the girl from

Even your guilt feelings are spurious, and your expression of them much more so; you are so: many Jimmy Swaggarts, preaching against the newspapers in ; public and getting into bed with them, for cash down, in private. And when the wowsers legislate for censorship you will first applaud and then how with rage at being deprived of your daily

eputable opinion-surveying institutions like the Gallop Poli do not permit their agents to argue with the respondents. But the more sophisticated interviewers must surely have wanted to cry "Come off it!" as they listened to a denunciation of the popular

press in a house with five Sun-

Bingo-cards on the mantelpiece. A free press entails abuses of freedom; the paradox is similar to that of democracy, which must tolerate people who wish to destroy it. A free press, therefore, may well include Nigel Dempster, and ultimately even James. Whitaker. Sensible freedom lovers will understand that that is the price we pay for freedom. and for freedom it is surely cheap. But newspaper readers, it seems, will not accept the bargain and shut up; they want to have their cake and vomit it out. So be it; but the next time Gallup comes knocking at the door. kindly have the grace to tuck Samantha Fox's wobblies down the back of the sofa before denouncing the News of the World for being obsessed with: sex. You might blush, too, if you. can remember how.

Commentary • RONALD BUTT

Princely virtues

The BBC's Panorama programme on the Prince of Wales followed the now customary practice of gaining public atten-tion in advance by leaking sensational bits. In this way we learoed that Mr Norman Tebhit would say that Prince Charles was particularly concerned with unemployment because he himself lacked a job. his "problem" being that he bad no responsibility for anything.

in the programme itself, however, the answers were often less mischief-making than the ques-tions. Thus, when the leader of the left-wing Sheffield council was asked whether he thought the Prince appreciated the prob-lems of the inner cities better than the Government, he replied, properly, that it would be wrong to involve him in party politics. Yet despite the attempts to do just this, what came through was not only the Prince's genuine concern for problems which are, or should be, the concern of everyone hut the constructive way in which he approached them, bringing people together in a non-political atmosphere and showing parti-cular skill in the craft of tactful

chairmanship.
The heart of the programme, nevertheless, was Mr Tehhit's singular contribution. Mr Tebbit has a mordant and sardonic humour which is part of his charm. You may think that he simply lets it run away with him and does not calculate the consequences. My own opinion is that he never does anything except on purpose and that he knew very well what the impact of his words would be. Thus, when be first spoke of the Prince as a "sensible young man" and then corrected the "young" by pointing out that he is nearly

forty and without responsibility, Mr Tehhit was having it both ways and building up a contrived picture which is as false as it is patronizing. It would be much more accurate to say that Mr Tebbit now lacks a job than that Prince Charles does.

The Prince bas no need of any job except that which be is doing. The role of the Royal Family is to identify itself with the nation in a way that transcends party politics. This does not place everything that can be called politics, in the broader sense, out of bounds to them since almost everything that matters is in the. broad sense political. You cannot say that clean streets and good hospitals are good things, or that murder is bad, without making a statement about buman relationships within the polis. Party politics intrude only when particular remedies on which parties differ are pro-posed; unlike wickeder members of the episcopate, the Prince has never made that mistake.

So what is the problem? It is apparently that the Prince draws attention to difficulties facing some of the Queen's subjects about which the Government is sensitive. Yet if be behaved as though they did not exist, or refrained from visiting inner cities with left-wing authorities, these would be very clear facit political statements. In times long past it was the joh of the monarch to travel the country so that subjects could petition directly for the redress of griev-ances with which the established

procedures bad failed to deal. A certain delicate residual function from that role remains to the Royal Family. Under any party government, some of the Oueen's subjects will have problems in need of sympathy. The

Prince is not wrong to direct attention to them outside the tramlines of party political thinking stimulating others to constructive solutions. If sup-porters of the Government choose to regard his interest in jobs and cities as a covert form of party politics directed against them, they accuse themselves.

in the hard-nosed self-help element of the new Conservative party there are some who, applauding their own rise by selfhelp, have so little time for what they call "privilege" that they tend to fall into a kind of rightist quasi-republicanism which is offhand about the Crown. Like some of their ecboes in the media, they think it has little place in the meritocratic world.

They are foolish. The Crown in Parliament is the kernel of the constitution and the monarchy symbolizes more than 1,000 years of continuity. Without their special regard for continuity and the constitution, the Tories would be just another party which, though here today, might be gone tomorrow. Jibes at the Prince by some Tory politicians who should know better and cheap insults in parts of the Tory media are as foolish politically as the tactics of those wbo try to use the Prince's concern for social problems as a stick for beating Thatcherism.

could do it better.

Most ordinary Tory support-ers are offended. They no more demand that the Prince should walk in fear of saying anything positive lest he can be accused of offending Thatcherism than that be should be socialist. As for the Prince himself, the biggest mistake he could make would be to be persuaded that what he is doing is not a real joh. It is very real, it needs to be done and few

SCIENCE REPORT

Tall storeys

The legendary propensity of cats to cheat death has come under scientific scrutiny in a report published in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

New York vets Wayne Whitney and Cheryl Mehlhaff draw on principles of physics, anatomy and evolution to explain why cats answive falls from high buildings that would

kill people.

New York City, with its potentially lethal combination of skyscrapers and concrete pavements, is a dangerous place for cats. In five mouths, 132 were brought to the city's animal medical centre suffering from "high rise syndrome", a complex of fractures and other injuries compatible with falling from a great height. Most fell on to con-

crete from two storeys or more. Whitney and Mehlhaff found that 90 per cent of those treated survived. One had treated survived. One had fallen 32 storeys (nearly 500ft) only to be released from the centre after 48 hours of observation, having suffered minor thoracic injuries and a chipped tooth. A fall from a quarter of this height would invariably kill a human being. Remarkably, the mortality

Remarkably, the mortality rate and severity of injuries peaked at seven storeys. Most fallen cats suffered from fractures, injuries to the thorax, and, in a minority of cases, split palates. All the injuries could be treated; the only cats to be put down were those whose owners wished it or could not afford to pay for

Whitney and Mehlhaff's © Nature-The Times News Service, 1988



main problems were in verifying the circumstances of each accident. It is relatively easy to accident. It is relatively easy to predict the kinds and severity of injuries a cat will sustain when falling from a particular height on to a surface of known consistency but matters are complicated if a cat should anything on the way. meet anything on the way down, such as a tree, fire

down, such as a tree, fire escape or shop awning.

Whatever might befall a cat, the prognosis for a human being falling from more than six storeys is usually unfavourable. Causes of death in adults are bead injuries and internal haemorrhage. Free falls are the most common cause of traumatic death in cause of traumatic death in American children under 15,

accounting for more than 13,000 deaths each year. Compared with humans, cats have a much larger surface area in relation to their volume. This means that their

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lower and is reached more quickly; and the stresses caused by impact are mach less. Cats, however, suffer less severe injuries than, for exam-ple, falling dogs of the same size. So they clearly have something extra which helps them subvert, if not defy, the remotseless logic of Newtonian mechanics. Professor Ja-

red Diamond, of the University of California Medical School, writing in today's Nature, puts it down to their evolutionary heritage. Cats descend from animals which lived in trees and have inherited the safety mecha-nisms evolved by their an-

cestors to survive that environ-

ment. In addition, they have good stereoscopic vision.
When a cat falls from a

window, an acutely refined gyroscopic reflex — a legacy of arborial ancestry – comes into play, righting the animal so that it lands on all fours. Muscle tension is a respouse to acceleration through the air, but once the est reaches terminal velocity, its muscles relax so that the legs aplay out borizontally. The animal them demands were animal then descends para-

animal then descends parachute-fashion, like a flying squirrel. This maximizes the surface area, and thus airbraking, and minimizes the effects of impact on any particular part of the body. Nearly two thirds of the cats in the study were under three years old. Older cats presumably value the remainder of

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Moreover, only last month the

Home Office, in consultation with

the Department of the Environ-ment withdrew their support of

pan-London emergency co-ordin-

ation arrangements for coping

with the aftermath of a major

emergency and effectively forced

the closure of the only facility in London which was designed and

established as an emergency co-

ordination centre 15 years ago - at

the instigation, incidentally, of the Home Office staff. How is that for

According to your report, Lord Ferrers, Minister of State at the Home Office, has announced that

his department are currently

reviewing national arrangements

for disaster planning. One is bound to ask how it makes sense

to acknowledge a national need in

this regard while concurrently dismanting London's established

Londoo Fire and Civil Defence

nuclear submarine performance if

he really had been telling the Canadians for months that the

British could not do anything

In the secretive world of sub-

marine performance the general

public may be excused ignorance.

But it is extremely worrying to

read of a senior French naval

officer who is no better informed

than the man in the street. I would

want to keep such an officer well

Yours faithfutty. RODNEY LEACH, Chairman and Chief Executive,

Engineering Ltd. Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria.

Sir, If you write "this way up" on

top of an object which is then

placed the wrong way up, the message will be invisible. Write the word "bottom" on the bottom and, should there be inversion, the

message is glaring.
This sounds trivial; it is far-

reaching. I suspect that VSEL,

with their upside-down bull seg-

ment, have now learnt the lesson

alas, at some cost.

128 Ashley Gardens, Thirleby Road, SW1.

Yours truly.
ALAN HARRIS.

Vickers Shipbuilding &

From Professor Emeritus

right", as your report stated.

(Chief Emergency Planning

Emergency Planning Division, 20 Albert Embankment, SE1.

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April 5.

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Sir Alan Harris

Yours faithfully

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AS BEFORE IN AFGHANISTAN

With the Geneva agreement on the point of signature, it seems that Soviet troops will, after all, begin to leave Afghanistan on May 15 as planned. This day should be welcomed. It represents a great victory for the Afghan peoples, won in the face of overwhelmingly superior firepower, utterly ruthless tactics and appalling casualties. It removes, for the foreseeable future, the fears of some people in the West that the Soviets might force Pakistan into the Soviet camp, or even march from Kandahar to the Persian Gulf.

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It does not seem likely that the Soviets will be back, unless their state changes for the worse once more in a really radical way. They have received an extremely bloody nose over the past eight years. Moreover, by the time the Mujahedin are finished, there will not be many potential Soviet allies left in Afghanistan.

The Soviets arrived in the middle of an Afghan civil war, and it shows every sign of continuing after their departure. They intervened to save a disintegrating client regime from the popular hatred which its over-hasty reforms and brutal repressions had drawn upon it. They leave that regime weaker and more hated than ever. Few observers give it more than a few months of life.

Hence the present Soviet desire, restated yesterday in London by Academician Primakov, for an interim coalition government in Kabul, embracing all elements of the Afghan scene. This would be the only way that the Soviets could, in the short term, save anything of their longstanding predominant influence over Afghanistan as a whole. It would also save Moscow from the humiliation of having to stand by while its former clients are massacred in the streets.

Such a government seems, however, very unlikely in view of the hatreds accumulated over the years. Blood feuds alone would make any guarantee of security to former leading members of the regime virtually worthless.

Knowing this, and knowing the weakness of their position, members of the regime are already showing signs of preparations for flight. When this mood spreads to the already demoralized army, the game will be up.

Mr Gorbachov may be hoping that the Mujahedin will not be able to stay united long enough to storm Kabul, and that by dropping Dr. Naiibullah and other elements, some remnant of the communists might be able to make a separate peace with "moderate"

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guerrilla groups. But this seems a pipedream. The Mujahedin are divided on many things especially the role of ex-King Zabir Shah. But they are united in their hatred of the communists, who have betrayed their country and caused it so much suffering. They are not likely to weaken at this stage in the game.

The issue then is likely to be what sort of Mujahedin government will succeed in Kabul. The Soviets are probably hoping that the answer will be no government at all - as is the case today when the communists rule less than 20 per cent of the country. There has been some worry, in the West as well as in Moscow, that an Islamic fundamentalist regime may take over. But given the traditional weakness of the central government in Afghanistan, and the number of heavily armed local forces now at large, Afghanistan may very likely return to its earlier state of more-or-less permanent internal conflict.

This might suit the Soviets quite well. Such a state of affairs would hold out no appeal for the Muslims of Soviet Central Asia. Moreover, the Soviets could create a cordon sanitaire between them and subversive influences by propping up some communist remnant along the Afghan-Soviet border. This is the meaning of the recent spate of detailed Soviet aid agreements in the northern region, and for the rumours that the communists might shift the capital to the northern town of Mazar-e-Sharif.

It would, however, be a disaster for many ordinary Afghans, and especially for the refugees. It would also place Pakistan in enormous difficulties. The Pakistani population is getting very tired of the Afghan refugees on its soil, and the effect this has had on violence and crime within Pakistan. If they learned that the refugees were going to be staying indefinitely, even after a Soviet withdrawal, the resulting public anger might well endanger President Zia's government, and the unity of the country. If India were tempted to dabble, the result could be a great increase in local tension.

This eventuality would not directly threaten the interests, of the West. None the less, for reasons of humanity as well as for the sake of peace, the West should support Pakistan and Mr Cordovez in trying, however high the odds, to bring about a transitional government in Kabul, and failing that, to encourage the guerrillas to unite in a real coalition, preferably under the leadership of Zahir Shah,

THE POPINJAY PRINCIPLE

Those who want a future for the Social and Liberal Democratic Party are becoming anxious as each day passes towards the date of June 1. Until that time, it has been agreed, none of their would-be leaders will declare his candidacy. There is nothing in the new rules. didacy, Mr David Steel's declaration is daily awaited. Without it the prospects for the new party are poor - poorer even than the opinion

For the first three months of the year a new face at the top of the SLDs had seemed a certainty. No conversation with a centre party supporter (even those not certain which centre party they supported) was complete without reference to the so-called "parrot affair", the disastrous manifesto signed in January by Mr Steel and Mr Robert Maclennan, which seemed surely to have ditched the political careers of both.

Under pressure from his MPs, Mr Steel had quickly declared that the manifesto proposals to abolish mortage interest tax relief and impose VAT on children's clothes were "as dead as John Cloese's parrot" - a reference to an old joke which was later expanded for the benefit of younger party members in a speech by the Liberal Party veteran, Mr Des Wilson. But Liberal MPs were still not satisfied. Mr Steel had to go - a fact which he appeared to them to accept.

This parrot is now a part of the party's unofficial heraldic ornament. The symbolism seems, however, to be lost on Mr Steel, who is reported to be responding to pressure from his colleagues to pretend that the bird had never lived and to stand for election to the leadership.

Various reasons are adduced for this. The first is that the SLD - currently hovering at about eight per cent in the polls - cannot afford to risk further oblivion by dumping its only nationally known figure. The second is that Mr Steel is the only man experienced enough to dispatch the hopes of Dr Owen - a desirable first step to SLD success.

The third is that Mr Paddy Ashdown would be the most likely successor, and that the member for Yeovil, while having done a good job wooing former Social Democrats, is not popular with fellow Liberal MPs. The fourth is that if Mr Steel were to guide the new party on its first faltering steps, he would keep the door open for the young Mr Charles Kennedy, who could take over when he was judged to have

reached the age of gravitas. The appreciation of these four factors may have coincided with a fifth - in the mind of Mr Steel himself. He has nowhere else to go. No suitably high-minded international position is on offer. It is one thing to see all the reasons for giving up the position of a party leader at Westminster, and the trappings it carries with it. It is something else actually to give up the position when there is no equivalent office, secretary and car waiting in the wings.

Sadly for Mr Steet, only this last factor has any real weight. Mr Steel is far too well known to be the convincing leader of a party which claims to offer something new. He is completely identified with the failure of the Liberal-SDP alliance to break the two-party system. Nothing can change that.

He is certainly experienced at dealing with Dr Owen. Some supporters of Mr Steel's candidature claim that the two men's shared campaigns would constrain the SDP leader from attacking his former brother-in-arms too ferociously. This is to elevate the claims of political constancy implausibly high. Dr Owen would love to play a part in the downfall of Mr Steel and the SLD — the bigger the better.

Mr Ashdown is rightly identified as the man most likely to succeed if Mr Steel stepped aside. A Mori poll conducted at the turn of the year showed him to be the second favourite among Alliance supporters, way behind Mr Steel but with more than five times the support of Mr Alan Beith. He has made a powerful impression on ex-Social Democrats in particular through his opposition to the Education Bill in Parliament. He has a unilateralist past but has impressed sceptics with his growing realism about defence.

Most important of all, he has given indications that he takes seriously the need to formulate future centre party policy in the light of the changes in Britain during the Thatcher years. Since Dr Owen, who shares the assessment of that need, is out of the running, the choice of any leader of the SLD will bring some risk of the unknown.

But by contrast - and this is all too well known - Mr Steel's interest in the formulation of policy is scant. No one with his experience of politics could have put his name to the parrot" if he had been really concerned with what it said. As for Mr Kennedy, the party may not live long enough to wait for his majority. Mr Steel's power base has always been his popularity in the country. But this is on the wane. Mori poll figures show that between the June election and the end of January those assessing him as a capable leader fell from 30

per cent to 15 per cent. Those who judged him to understand the problems facing Britain fell from 41 per cent to 17 per cent. The percentage of voters satisfied with his leadership has halved. The problems which excite the passion of Mr Steel are those that swayed the sixties - from

industrial democracy to the anti-apartheid movement. He bears a standard for the past and emblazoned upon it is that dead parrot or dead popinjay as the heralds would have us call

In centuries past the popinjay on a coat of arms commemorated administrative or commercial success in tropical countries. Mr Steel would serve his party and principles best by taking a job with, say, the United Nations.

Wasted effort

From Sir Simeon Bull Sir, In her Legal and Financial column of March 26, Frances Gibb comments on the varying reactions of solicitors' firms to the introduction of the Financial Services Act. The reactions that she does not mention are those of extreme irritation and exasperation underpinned with mounting frustration experienced by some,

Two years ago, having reg- per cent effective in relation to the 199 Piccadilly, W1. including my firm.

istered under the Data Protection Act, this firm made use of the talent available during the universities' long summer vacation to transfer all our trust, probate and private client information on to our computer. There was no time pressure and we all rather enjoyed the mental exercise, which did not interfere with daily routine and was not overly expensive.

Now, however, I find that although what we have is about 90 Bull & Bull,

requirements of the Act as presently perceived, we must go through the entire exercise all over again - but this time under considerable time pressure. We have a terminal date of June 30 but, so far, no starting date because as far as I know, "the rules" have yet to be finalised down to the last dotted "i" and crossed "t". Yours sincerely SIMEON BULL,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Future of the Copyright Bill

From the General Secretaries of the Society of Authors and of the Writers' Guild of Great Britain Sir, The Copyright, Designs and Patents Bill has just completed its third reading in the House of Lords and will be considered by the Commons soon. It may be timely to attempt to summarise the views of authors.

Given the unrelenting pressure on parliamentary time, it is to the credit of this Government that it is introducing long overdue legisla-tion which tackles a complex subject and attempts to take account of the many technological changes of recent years. However, it is regrettable that, at the behest of powerful commercial interests, the Government has allowed the protection given to creators to he significantly weakened as the Bill has passed through the Lords.

In the White Paper published in April, 1986, there was a well-argued chapter devoted to the need for a levy or statutory royalty on hlank audio tapes (as already happens in many European countries). For no good reason other than lobbying by tape manufacturers, the Government is now reneging on its commitment. The arguments in favour of a royalty on blank video tapes have also been ignored.

Elsewhere in the White Paper it was proposed that photocopying for commercial research should fall outside authorised "fair dealing" and be subject to reasonable payment under licensing schemes. Here, too, the Government has performed a volte face, on the ground that "it is essential that smalt and large businesses have every opportunity to develop their research potential". Of course research is important, but why should researchers and writers be expected to subsidise industry and the professions?

In order to comply with the Berne Convention, the Government is introducing "moral rights" – in particular the right of a creator not to have his or her work subjected to "unjustified modification". From the outset the relevant chapter in the Bill was so full of procedural pitfalls as to make the new rights of limited practical value. The provisions have been watered down still further in the House of Lords.

Two years ago the White Paper gave us high hopes that the Government was being realistic about some much-needed reforms. It is not too late for the House of Commons and the Department of Trade and Industry to put the legislation back on its original course.

MARK LE FANU (General Secretary, The Society of WALTER J. JEFFREY (General Secretary), The Writers Guild of Great

Britain, 430 Edgware Road, W2. April 7.

Belfast murders

From Mr Richard Need Sir. The parallel drawn by the Archbishop of Canterbury be-tween the crucifixion of Jesus and the murder of the two soldiers in Belfast (report, April 4) is a

The gospels do not tell us what charges Jesus faced under Roman law nor anything about the Roman trial that he must have faced before being sentenced. But we do know that the sentence was carried out according to the law which obtained at that time:

To confuse a legal execution, however barbaric we may think it now, with a lynching hy a hate-crazed mob is confusion indeed. Yours faithfully, RICHARD NEED. 49 Bonner Hill Road. Kingston upon Thames.

Town piazza

April 5.

From Mr A. C. W. McKenna Sir, As managing agents for the Culver Centre, Colchester, we have been concerned at the report (March 24) relating to photography in the square.

There is not and indeed, never has been, a ban on photography of a personal nature. If photographs are intended to be used for commercial purposes, then we do ask that the people involved discuss the matter with the centre manager.

Yours faithfully A. C. W. MCKENNA, Healey & Baker, 29 St George Street Hanover Square, W1.

Feline fiends

From Mr Jack Adrian Sir, Your Science Report on the sanguinary habits of domestic cats (April 2) elicited a hollow laugh from this household, which includes three.

It is true that White Cat (now 10) has never caught anything in her life, and although her son Winker (now nine) did once catch a baby rabbit, he is so idle and stupid a creature that he didn't know what to do with it and I was able to rescue it unharmed.

However, this charming picture of feline pacifism is more than offset by the wholesale slaughter inflicted on the local vole, shrew and mouse population by my oldest cat, Samantha, possibly the most accomplished fiend since the

Disaster planning and the law

From Air Commodore George Innes, RAF (retd)

Sir, As an emergency planning practitioner, I subscribe to the main conclusion drawn at the recent symposium on disaster planning held at the Royal Mili-tary College of Science (report, April 2) that a new law is urgently needed to provide for disaster planning in the UK.

Whitehall's track record in this regard is not encouraging, however. It took the European Council's "Seveso" directive to compel Government to make regulations requiring emergency plans to be prepared for certain major industrial hazards in this country and for the people working and living in the shadow of those sites to be advised of the self-protective measures they should take in the event

A duty to make these plans was placed on local authorities in 1984 and is now well established, but only the most hazardous sites are caught by the regulations. A timely opportunity to enlarge this statu-tory base was ignored by Government when passing in 1986, the ineffective Civil Protection io Peacetime Act.

Bottoms up

From the Chairman and Chief Executive of Vickers Shipbuilding

& Engineering Ltd
Sir. On April 8 you gave prominence to the report of an alignment error made by my company in welding together two hull sections in a Trafalgar class nuclear submarine currently under construction. The mistake, as it certainly was, was picked up by the company's quality control procedures. Its consequences are being assessed and necessary corrective action will be taken. Despite the mistake it is already clear that the submarine will be delivered on time and with no adverse cost implications for the Ministry of Defence.

Your reporter chose to make fun of the incident. I do not object to this. Those who make mistakes in our open society must expect them to be reported - humorously or otherwise.

But I am amazed at the comments attributed to a serving French rear-admiral, who cannot be aware of the repeated requests of his submarine construction colleagues, made at the highest ministerial and official levels, to be allowed to observe and apply the modern and cost-effective submarine construction methods developed in VSEL. Nor can be be even remotely aware of relative

From the Leader of the Inner

Sir. It is not clear from your

report, "Independents less costly

than Ilca" (later editions, March

Hea and costs

inner London.

comparing Hea's unit cost for the year 1987-88 with independent school "costs" for the year ending August, 1987. The relevant Hea unit cost for comparison should have been £2,275 (the 1986-87 figure), rather than the "more than

30), on what basis the costs of independent schools are being £2,400" which you quote. computed, let alone whether there On that basis, I have done a is any rational basis for comparilittle research of my own. The Isis (Independent Schools Informason with maintained schools in tion Service) handbook for 1987 For the record, bowever, there is lists 30 schools in the inner London area taking pupils of secondary age. Twenty of them charged fees more than £2,275. Of no secret about the basis for calculating unit costs in inner London. Apart from a few minor items (rent, exchequer grants, the remaining 10, seven were girls financing charges and parental only schools; your readers may contributions), everything is indraw their own conclusions about cluded. Contrary to your report, what that suggests about equal central services like administraopportunities in the private sector.

Finally, the three inner London schools which chose to go iodependent when the Ilea abolished selection in 1977 all charged more. Yours faithfully. NEIL FLETCHER, Leader, Inner Londoo Education

From Mr Robert D. Singleton

Sir, I am struggling to understand why the logic behind the recent

(albeit selective) imposition of

mandatory 50mph speed limits on motorway "cootra-flows" (report, April 8) should ool also apply to single carriageway roads which are subject to a 60mph limit and which are inherently more dan-

Speed limits

Yours faithfully

Wilson House.

R. D. SINGLETON.

Denis Wilson & Partners

(Consulting engineers and

transportation planners),

From Mr Robert Nott

52 Southwark Bridge Road, SE1.

which many independent schools charge extra. Authority, The County Hall, SEt. Your report also misled in

Storm clearance

tion, in-service training and sup-

port services are included. Also

included are books, stationery,

instrumental tuition, materials for

technical subjects and a wide

range of sporting activities, for

From Mr Tom Flood Sir, Mr R. F. Eberlie's letter (April 6) lamented the absence of the 'Friends of Kent" and the need for voluntary help following the devastation caused by the hurricane of October 16 last year.

I can assure bim that the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers has been actively involved in lending a hand. Some 7,184 volunteers have helped with storm clearance work and a modest replanting effort has in fact started with the planting of 21,207 trees.

With financial assistance from industry and charitable trusts we have established in the south of England a permanently staffed woodland unit to co-ordinate future activities. In the autumn the BTCV will start a major programme with the target of planting nationally over three years a million trees. Yours sincerely. TOM FLOOD, British Trust for Conservation

Volunteers. 36 St Mary's Street,

Wallingford, Oxfordshire. Countess Elizabeth Bathory.

Still, at the age of 16, she brings in on averge a small mammal every two days from late March to early October, worse, it is a rare dawn when, on rising, I do not have to clear up the discarded evidence of a murderous night op. During the winter months her kill

ratio goes down, I suppose, by If, as your correspondent surmises, the true total of prey killed is double, the figures are too frightful to contemplate. Yours sincerely, JACK ADRIAN,

Nr Malvern.

April 4.

Clematis Cottage, Bury End Street, Hereford and Worcester.

Nectar supplies

From Mr John H. B. Rawson Sir, May I, through your columns, make an appeal that when the current proposals for setting aside surplus arable land are initiated. adequate funds are made available for sowing the unused land with the seed of nectar-bearing plants.

foin, white clover, bird's-foot trefoil, melilot, scabious, knapweed and heathers would all provide good supplies of nectar, not only for bees of all kinds, but for other insects, including butterflies and moths. Birds, too, could benefit

Seed for these plants must still be available. Indeed, one Hampshire farmer whom I know has type of sainfoin once prevale his county, regarding himself as its

Nectar-bearing trees, such as maples, sycamore, cherry, lime, horse chestnut and sweet chestnut. could be planted on land intended to remain out of agricultural production for a long period.

Most of the above plants and trees are also beautiful. Walking amongst them would surely be considered by most members of the public to be a marvellous

JOHN H. B. RAWSON. Wiltshire Downs Honey Farm. Ugford, Wilton. Salisbury, Wiltshire.

ON THIS DAY

The following verses celebrate, fulsomely and abstrusely, the conclusion of ane of the most contentious articles of legislation

The Times had vigorously championed this cause — one deserving a more accomplished poet than "Anglicus"

THE THIRTEENTH OF APRIL, 1829 From grateful nations to assenting skies. While shouts of joy, and bymns of concord rise: While worthier bards, and lyres more sweetly strong Catch the glad accents from the Patriol's tongue. in Wellesley's honour wreath the laurell'd verse. The healing victories of Peace rebearse. And in the Hero of an hundred Hail the Avenger of his country's chains: My unambitious Muse must leave awhile The pomps that glitter, and the crowds that smile. And from the honour'd living turn, to One tear above the still remember'd dead. Lo! as I speak, a shadowy train appears. The wise and eloquent of other years . . . Stateliest; and first of all that gifted throng. With slow and measured tread, Pitt moves along. Nor yet forgoes the aspect of That awed the spirits of a doubting land The lofty poet, the conscious glance of the way. Accomplish'd views his own deferr'd pleas'd assent. See, on his steps a rival shade

right For which she bent to sue, and rose to fight,-Who chas'd Extortion from ber Indian plain.

Voices unto the Lord Sir, I suspect that Mr Harte (April 4) would find that churches "where no birds sing" are those which have had the wisdom to protect their buildings by taking

Yours faithfully, ROBERT NOTT, Englefield Cottage, Hurtmore, Godalming, Surrey. April 4.

measures to repel birds.

Slightly confused

From Miss Rosemary Scott Sir. Whilst working in the British Library, I recently had occasion to refer to a volume about the Religious Tract Society. The volume in question had been handsomely rebound, and proclaimed itself, in fresh gold-block lettering, to be a work on the Religious Tact Society.

Perhaps, in the present climate, such a society might indeed be Yours faithfully, ROSEMARY SCOTT, 4 White Leaves Rise, Cuxton, Rochester, Kent. April 9.

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in perpetuity

On suitable soils, lucerne, sainindirectly as insect predators.

maintained, year after year, the custodian.

experience. Yours faithfully,

APRIL 14 1829

of the late 18th and early 19th centuries — Catholic emancipation. The Act received the Royal Assent on April 13.

While to the petriot band, he points Waves his proud arm, and nods his attend In all beside a foe; but here, a The Statesman of a vast, but gentle Champion of Freedom, Patron of Mankind: Who claim'd for young America the

Who riv'd the links of Afric's tott ring chain. Who bade the grouning Universe be Speak then, green Erin, - did he feel

for thee? And thou! whom still regen rate nations bless -Whose worth our love, whose loss our tears confess. -Leave, Canning, leave awhile thy long redose From stormy greatness, and exalted

WOOS; Thou radiant, inpure, vindicated shade! Behold, the expiating rite is paid; Thy fierce assailants check their keen Career. Thy life's last foes heap incense on thy

bier, Then let me pluck from Triumph's gaudy wreath One cypress branch for thy cold come beneath: Oft has thy voice my fancy captive

I lov'd thee living, I adore thee dend: And hail with thrilling pride, and added bliss. Thy fame asserted by an hour like

ANGLICUS.

THE THEY SEEN MASTERPIECES



COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE
April 13; The King of Norway
this morning at Windsor Castle
received High Commissioners
of the Community County of the Commonwealth Countries and Ambassadors in

His Majesty later visited the Imperial College of Science and Technology, South Kensington.

The King of Norway was entertained at luncheon by the Prime Minister on behalf of Her Majesty's Government at No.10 Downing Street.

This afternoon The King of Norway visited Westminster Abbey, where His Majesty laid a Wreath on the Grave of the Unknown Warrior.

The King of Norway subsequently met members of the Norwegian Community at the Norwegian Ambassador's Residence, 10 Palace Green, Kensington W8.

The King of Norway was entertained at a Banquet this evening by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London at Guildball.

The Princess Royal and Cantain Mark Phillips were present. Before the Banquet a Court of Common Council was held and His Majesty received an Ad-dress of Welcome.

The Duke of Edioburgh this morning presented the 1988 British Design Awards and the 1988 Duke of Edinburgh's Designer's Prize at Princes Square. Buchanan Street, Glasgow.

His Royal Highness was re-ceived on arrival by Her Maj-esty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mr. Robert Gray, the Right Hon, the Lord Provost).

The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon visited the Glasgow Garden Festival 1988 in Glas-

His Royal Highness, attended by Brigadier Clive Robertson, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Prince Edward this eveattended the Army Football Association's Centenary Cup Final at Aldershot, Hampshire. ning attended the annual dinner of the National Association of Youth and Community Edu-cation Officers at Hatfield attendance,

Today's royal engagements

The Prince of Wales, President of Business in the Community, will be the host at a reception for representatives of Inner City Enterprise Agencies and business leaders at Kensington Palace at 6.30.

The Princess of Wales will open the Maltings Shopping Centre, St Albans. Hertfordshire, at The Princess Royal will present

the Norah Stucken sixth annual Award for Achievement in Horticulture at a luncheon at Stationers' Half at 12.45. The Duke of Kent will present the "Young Engineer of the Year" award at the seventy-fifth anniversary celebrations of the Association of Consulting En-gineers at the Queen Elizabeth Conference Centre at 6.00.

Captain William McLean was in attendance.

The Princess Royal and Captain Mark Phillips this morning opened the new Norsk Hydro Fertilizers Factory at Imming-

Mrs Charles Ritchie was in

April 13: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Patron of

London Festival Ballet, was present this evening at a gala

performance of Swan Lake held at the Alhambra Theatre

Her Royal Highness was re-

ceived on arrival by Her Mai-esty's Lord-Lieutenant for West

Yorkshire (The Lord Ingrow).

opened the Machine Too Trades Association's "Mach 88"

hibition Centre, Birmingham.

Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Charles Page.

The Duke of Kent this eve

ning attended the Diamond Jubilee Reception of the Royal

British Legion Attendants Com-

pany at the Banqueting House. Whitehall, London SW1.

Captain Charles Page was in

The Duchess of Kent today

Miss Sarah Partridge was in

Birthdays today

60; Baroness Warnock, 64; Baroness Wootton of Abinger, CH,

Appeal.

YORK HOUSE

KENSINGTON PALACE

Isaac, unaware of the treachery that is unfolding, sleeps peacefully while, his elder son, Esan, sells his twin brother, Her Royal Highness and Cap-tain Mark Phillips travelled in an aircraft of No. 32 Squadron, Royal Air Force, and were received upon arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Humberside (Mr. R. Anthony Bethell) Jacob, his birthright for a mess of pottage. Behind them both, haggard and toothless, stands their aged mother, Rebecca.

The use of light for an effect of silence and solemnity has seldom been better managed. The painting is to be seen in the Thyssen-Bornemisza col-lection of Old Masters, spensored by *The Times* at the Royal Academy until June 12.

Hendrik Ter Brugghen, the most gifted of the Utrecht School of followers of Cara-

vaggio, painted at least two versions of Esan Selling His Birthright, a detail of one of

Ter Brugghen bases the action of this painting very consciously around the candle,

which forms a focus for the

In the dark background

which is shown above.

Mr P.G. de Zuloeta and Miss S.E.P. Pritchard Bradford, in aid of Bradford's War on Cancer Appeal and London Festival Ballet School The engagement is armounced between Paul Gerald, son of the octween Paul Gerald, son of the late Peter de Zulueta and of Viscountess Montgomery of Alamein, of Isington Mill, Alton, Hampshire, and Sue, only daughter of Dr and Mrs G.T. Pritchard, of the Old Mill House, Stanwell Moor.

Mr P.G. Monro and Miss P.L. Charlton The engagement is announced

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by The Hon. Mrs. Whitehead. between Peter, younger son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Monro, and of the Hon Mrs Mary Monro, of April 13: The Duke of Kent, Vice Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, today Glencairn Crescent, Edinburgh, and Patncia, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Charlton, of Exhibition at the National Ex-Sevenoaks Kent His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Mr A.J.D. Ellis

and Miss N. de la C. de la Billière The engagement is announced

between Andrew Jeremy Dal-rymple, youngest son of Mr and Mrs A.D. Ellis, of Shrewsbury, Shropshire, and Nicola de la Cour, elder daughter of Lieuten-ant-General Sir Peter and Lady de la Billière, of Aldershot, Hampshire.

Mr F.S. Farajallah and Miss C.M. Baker

The engagement is announced between Faraj Sany, elder son of the late Mr Sany Farajallah and Mrs Georges Yannich, of Beirut, Lebanon, and Caroline Mary, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Roben Baker, of Bury St Ed-munds, Suffolk.

Prime Minister

Miss Julie Christic, actress, 48; Sir John Gielgud, CH, actor, 84; Mr Gerry Gillman, trade union-The King of Norway was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by the Prime Minister and ist. 61: Mr Ivor Guest, ballet writer, 68: Lord Hastings, 76: Major-General Cyril Lloyd, 82: Mr Julian Lloyd Webber, cellist. 37: Miss L.E.M. Mackie, former Mr Denis Thatcher at 10 Downing Street yesterday. The other guests were:

Nr Thotaali Shilipinberg, the Ambas-sador of Norway. Mr Magne Hagen, and of Norway. Mr Magne Hagen, Nr Gunerius Flakslad, Brigadier Ole Christian Englasdad, Brigadier Ole Christian Englasdad, Brigadier Ole Christian Englasdad, Brigadier Ole Christian Englasdad, Major Thomas Grant, Nr Jorq willy Broon-bake, Ser Geoffrey Howe, Oc. MP, and Lady Howe, the Hon Doublas Hard, MP, and Mrs Ridgey, Nr Malcolin Ruhlud, OC, MP, Mr Ceril Parkinson, MP, and Mrs Parkinson, MP, and Mrs Parkinson, Lord Englasdad, Oc. MP, Mr Ceril Parkinson, MP, and Mrs Parkinson, Lord Chef Parkinson, MP, and Jack Parkinson, MP, and Jack Parkinson, MP, and Jack Parkinson, Mr Carley Orelow, MP, and Lady Jime Orslow, Sir John and Lady Clark, Sir Herton and Lady Lume, Mr Cark, Sir Herton and Lady Lume, Most Mr Most Mr Major Moste, MP, and Mr Mr Most Mr Mr Most Mr Major Moste, MP, and Mrs R R S Fisher, Mr David Howarth, Dr and Mrs Perley Addyman, Mr Richard Branson, Mrs Joan Temple. Downing Street yesterday. The headmistress, City of London School for Girls, 62; Colonel R.A.A.S. Macrae, Lord Lieuteoant of Orkney, 73; Baroness Masham of Ilton, 53; Mr P.G.A. Ramsay, former controller, BBC Scotland, 62; Dr J.M. Roberts, warden, Merton College, Ox-ford, 60; the Ven R.H. Roberts, former Chaplain of the Fleet, 57; Mr Rod Steiger, actor, 63; Sir Peter Thompson, chairman, National Freight Consortium.

Forthcoming marriages Mr A.W. Mitchell and Miss L.J. Grunnitt Mr B.M. Appleby and Miss H.L.H. Evans

The engagement is announced between Benedict Mark, elder son of Mr and Mrs Martin Appleby, of Newton Ferrers, Devon, and Harriet Lucilla Huntley, younger daughter of Mrs Rosalic Evans, of Blounce House, South Warnborough, Hampshire, and Mr Glyn Ev-ars, of Chicago, United States. Dr M.C. Clarvis

and Miss J.A. Troake
The engagement is armounced between Mark, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.E. Clarvis, of Enfield, Middlesex, and Julie. daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Troake, of

Street, Somerset.

Mr A.W.R. Cameron and Mrs P. Williams and Mrs P. Williams
The engagement is announced between Alexander William Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs Alex G. Cameron, of Glen Audlyn Lodge, Ramsey, Isle of Man, and Pamela, only daugh-ter of Mr and Mrs Richard E. Goodyear, of Purley, Surrey.

Mr M.J. Cosuns and Miss P.B.A. Thomas The engagement is announced between Matthew, son of the late Mr F.J. Cosans and of Mrs

Cosans, of Horsmonden, Kent, and Bianca, daughter of Major and Mrs D.L. Thomas, of 17 Cadogan Gardens, Londoo

man. Mr and Mrs David Walker, Mr and Mrs Rivhin Esser, Sit Palirck and Lady Wright, Mr and Mrs J A Robson, Mr and Mrs Peter Levene, Leutenant Commander Timothy Laurence, Mr and Mrs Charles Powell, Mr and Mrs Mark Addison.

Corporation of London
The King of Norway was the guest of honour at a banquet given by the Lord Mayor and the Corporation of London at Guildhall last night.

The Princess Royal and Cap-

tain Mark Phillips attended. They were received by the Lord

Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and

their ladies. Among others

present were: Mr Thorsaid Stollenberg, the Norwe gian Ambassador, Mr Magne Hagen, Mr Gimerus Flakstad, Brigadier Ole

Banquet

Mr J.E. Gillam and Miss S.K. Horne The engagement is announced between James Edward, of Nantucket Island Massachusetts, cldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Edward Gillum, Sr. of Nash-ville, Tennessee, United States, and Sarah Karen, only daughter of the late Major and Mrs George Horne, of Ditchling, Sussey

Mr S.C. Harper and Miss A.L. Taylor-Lowen The engagement is announced between Simon, son of the late Mr R.C. Harper and of Mrs L. Harper, of Chislehurst, Kent, and Ann. daughter of Mr and Mrs John Taylor-Lowen, of Barnes, London.

Mr G.E. Leckie and Miss Z.M. Hakim Rad The engagement is announced between George, elder son of Drs G.G. and R.T. Leckie. of Chipstead, Surrey, and Ziba, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Hakim Rad, of Kingstoo, Surrey. Surrey

Mr R.G.N. McDonald and Miss D.N. Hafidh The engagement is announced between Gregory, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.G. McDonald, of Ovington Street, SW3, and Delial, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs N.A. Hafidh, of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.

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Lady Grittond, the Secretary of State
lut Trade and Industry and Lady
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Marshart of Goring, the Lord Leuter
and of Greater London and Lady
Mitamath, the Secretary of State for
Transport and Mis Channon, the
Poymaster General, Mis Lynda Challer, MP, Lady Alexandra Carnegle
the Hort William Waldegrave, the Elist Seat
lard and Chief of Naval Staff and
Lady Stavetey, the Lord Mayot and
Lady Mayores of Westingister, representatives of the Chill Service.

Banquets and luncheons

Foster, of Alderley Edge, Cheshire, previously of Tiverton, Devon. Mr M. Speakman and Miss C. Greenish The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Speakman, of Sydney, Australia, and Caroline only daughter of Major John Greenish and Mrs Francis Per-

The engagement is announced

Grumitt, of Brookhall, Trinity,

The engagement is announced between Paul, youngest son of Mr and Mrs R. Mountain, of

Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire

and Theresa, youngest daughter of Professor and Mrs P.W.

Jersey. Mr P. Mountain

and Miss T.K. Foster

kins. of 34 Sloane Court West, London SW3. Mr R.A. van Woerkom and Miss T.S.Battcock The engagement is announced between Rem, younger son of Mr and Mrs van Woerkom, of West Wickham, Kent, and

Tessa, younger daughter of the late Mr F.H. Battcock and of Mrs Battcock, of Bournemouth, Mr Gerald Howarth, MP Mr and Mrs Cecil Lewis were the principal guests at a luo-cheon at the House of Com-

Christian England, Major Tractor Gram: the Hook Commissioner for Tanzama and Mrs Nvaki, the Ambassador of Funland and Mrs Pastinen, the Ambassador of Switzerland and Mrs Picte, the Ambassador of Bolista and Senora de Arauco Pazama Ambassador of Denmark and Mrs Ambassador of Brazil, the Gebublic of Ireland Commissioners of Commi mons on Tuesday, April 12, 1988. Mr Gerald Howarth, MP presided. Other guests present MCCC:
MI Jack Aspinwall, MP, Nr Robert Addres, MP, Mr Michael Colvin, MP, Mr Keilh Mans, MP, Sir Hector Monro, MP, Mr Carlley Onslow, MP, Mr Bill Walker, MP, Mr Max Arthur, Mr Peter Brighton, Mr Alan Curius, Arr Marshall Sir John Curius, Mr Harshall Mr Don McCleu, Mr Hobert Pooley and Mr Ivan Yales.

The British College

of Optometrists Dr Michael Wolffe, President of

The British College of Optom-curists, presided last night at a cirists, presided tast night at a dinner at Worcester College. Oxford. The guests included: At Philip Cox OC. Chalman of the General Optical Council, Professor H. Furfish, master of the Spectacle Maker Company and Professor Colin Blackmen.

Speaker The Speaker gave a dinner last King's College Hospital Lord Beaverbrook opened the night in Speaker's House in honour of the President of the Jeannie Hoskins Memorial Suite, donated by the Saints and Sinners Club of London, and the Methodist Conference, the Rev Dr William Davies. The guests Dr William Davies, The guests were;
Mi Peter Archer, OC, MP, Sir Rhodes Bosson, MP, Mr Ernest Artistions, Mischilary Armstrong, MP, Mr Alan Beith, MP, Mr Stuart Bell, MP, Dr John Blackburn, MP, Mr Paul Boalery, MP, Dr Jeremy Bray, MP, Mr Den Dovet, MP, Mr Harry Greenway, MP, Mr Kenneth Hind, MP, Mr Stuart Randall, MP, Mr Barry shrerman, MP, Itte Rec, Lord Soper, Mr Michael Stern, MP, Mr Rooger Stoll, MP, Mr David Witshire, MP, Itte Rec, Brian Back, Mr O w Burrell and Mr Michael Taylor. Owen Lewis Transplant Ruom at the Liver Unit of King's College Hospital on Tuesday. Mr Ned Sherrin, chairman of the club, presided at a luncheon held afterwards at the hospital. Lord Beaverbrook and Dr

Roger Williams, Director of the Liver Unit, also spoke.

University news

University College of Swansea

GRANTS
Science and Engineering Research
Council Brilish Sieel Corporation:
C86.588 to Mr J F Walson, Mr A
Hooper and Dr G Thomas for a
leaching company programme. Laura Ashley Foundation: £60,000 to Dr D Evans for a post-doctoral inflowship in the philosophy of health

EFC £298,000 lo Professor J M Parry iblological sciencesi (or re-search on the genetic effects of environmental chemicals. Exvon Chemicals: £98.479 to Dr B J Ruylance to undertake research in the field of pision film deposil obenomena in diesel engine operation. Rolls-Royce: C249,750 to Professor R
Parker and Dr S A T Stoneman for
research on acoustic resonances in
axial flow compressors excited by
cortex shedding Sprayforming Developments: grants totalling C91.000 to Professor A R E Singer imaterials engineerings. Winterh: C143.100 to Professor J M Marshall to support an electronic materials centre.

University of Bath Criversity of Data FEC: C106.740 to Dr M Greaves, School of Chemical Engineering for insearch into in situ combustion processes for enhanced oil recovery. Rritish Gas: C24.918 to Dr J Brisdon, Dr R England and Dr A J Ashworth, School of Chemical Engineering and ETC: Co9.587 to Professor R Hisley, School of Humanities and Social Screener, for research into care delivery systems for the elderty.

Schools news

Llandovery College Summer Term begins today. Dr Brinley Jones, whose portrait will be unveiled on Saturday, May 7, has been succeeded as Wardeo by Dr Claude Evans.
Exeat will be from Friday, May
27 to Wednesday, I June and
term ends with speech day on Saturday, July 2.

Durham School
The following Awards are announced for September 1988; King's Scholarships: G.S. Robertshaw if errem House, Durham School: J.A. Thicknes i Ascham House, Newcasilet: M.J. Ochorne if errons in the Chorister School, Durhami; P.G. Fullon Indianous N.C.T. Taylor (The Chorister School, Durhami; P.G. Fullon Indrawn); M.J. Morion isom School, Durhami; P.G. Fullon Indrawn in the Chorister School, Durhami; P.G. Fullon School, Durhami; J.M.W. Taylor (The Chorister School, Durhami; J.M.W. Majone (Tonstall School, Sunderland); M.J. Marchami, R.W. Majone (Tonstall School, Durhami; R.W. Majone (Tonstall School, Durhami; R.W. Majone (Tonstall School, Durhami); Elliott (The Chorister School, Durhami). Durham School

Herens House, Outriam Strates Socialisation iferens House, Durham School, Art Scholarship, C.D. Ellioti, (The Chorister School, Dusham), Art Exhibition: N.H.A. Cook (Ferens House, Durham School), Burkill Schotarships; Lucinda A. Hale (Polam Hall School, Darlington); Alaslair M. Green (Boroughbridge High School) and Muste Exhibition: Catherine M. Logan its George's School, Edinburgh).

The following awards have been made on the results of the 1988 scholarship examinations: scholarship examinations:
Arademic Scholarships: J.M.L. Martin
If cisical: P.A. Boulton (Alleyn Court):
R.L. Penistan (Fested): J.C. Miller
(Alleyn Court): B.A. Parker (Widford Lodge): C. Smith (Fested): C.A. Spiers
(Fested): N.J. Mederoft (Widford Lodge): R. Jenner (Alleyn Court):
Court and Cortalarship for Casics:
Art Scholarship: C.A. Spiers (Fested): T.L. Downing (Fested):
Music Scholarships: A.D. Marsh
(Fested): I.M. Paulyn (Fested): Both
Irelsked): I.M. Paulyn (Fested): Both
Irelsked): J.M. Paulyn (Fested): Both

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Ortelius, cartographer of the first atlas, Antwerp, 1527; of the first atlas, Antwerp, 1527; Christian Huygena, physicist. The Hague, 1629; William Henry Bentinck, 3rd Duke of Portland, prime minister 1783, 1807-09, Bulstrode, Buckinghamshire, 1738.

DEATHS: Richard Neville, Earl

of Warwick (The Kingmaker), killed at the Battle of Barnet, 1471; James Hepburn, 4th Earl of Bothwell, husband of Mary Queen of Scots, Drangholm, Denmark, 1578; George Frederic Handel, London, 1759; William Whithead Boet laure. William Whitehead, Poet Laur-

eate 1757-85, London, 1785; Thomas Wright, prison philan-thropist, Manchester, 1875; Louis Henri Sullivan, architect, Chicago, 1924; Vladimir Mayakovsky, novelist and dramatist committed suicide, Moscow 1930; Ernest Bevin, trade union leader, Foreign Secretary 1945 51. London, 1951; Frederic March, actor, Los Angeles, 1975.

Abraham Lincoln was shot by John Wilkes Booth in Wash-ington; he died the following day, 1865.

OBITUARY ITHELL COLQUHOUN

Artist of fantasy

years.

moved to a studio io the village of Paul where she lived

and worked for almost 30

Her poems, stories and

essays, among them The Man-tic Stain, which was the first published account in English of the surrealist automatic

processes, appeared in journals in this country, France

and Belgium. She was also author of the Gothic novel

Goose of Hermogenes (1961) and Sword of Wisdom (1975),

a detailed study of MacGregor Mathers and the Hermenc Order of the Golden Dawn.

She exhibited widely

throughout this country and abroad, and a major retrospec-

tive show of her work. - a tribute to her 40 years involvement with surrealism."

- was mounted by the Newlyn Orion Galleries in Comwall in

1976. This exhibition in-cluded the canvas "Scylla", painted in 1938, afterwards purchased by the Tate Gallery

for its permanent collection.

tion of the world of fantasy, the twilight world of dreams,

in prose, poetry and paint, did

not make life easy for her. Something of a mystic, a disciple of Dada, she was often

misunderstood, but her

commitment to her work was

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Itheli Colquhotm's explora-

Itheli Colquhoun, who died in Cornwall on April 11 at the moved to a studio io the age of 81, was a survivor of the British Surrealist movement of the thirties. She was part of the Salute to British Surrealism held in Londoo three

years ago. Born at Shillong in Assam, India, she came to this country in infancy and was educated at Cheltenham College. Although she studied at the Slade School of Fine Art under Henry Tonks and Randolph Schwabe, and studied privately in Paris and Athens, she always regarded herself as a largely self-taught artist.

Her first solo show was at the Cheltenham Municipal Gallery in 1936, followed by one with the Fine Art Society: Exotic Plant Decorations.

During the war she married the writer Tony del Renzio, publisher of the surrealist magazine Arson. A multi-talented person, she

was a poet and author as well as pamier. She was also a student of the occult and between Andrew William, younger son of the late Mr and Mrs W.H. Mitchell, of Franchealchemy, of Celtic lore, lanville, Grouville, Jersey, and Laura Jane, daugitter of the late Mr H.T.M. Grumitt and of Mrs guage and mythology. She settled in Cornwall after

her marriage ended in divorce in the late forties, living first in Lamorna Valley, a period which supplied her with the material for her book oo the county and its people: The

DR LIONEL

Dr Lionel Goldfarb, Reader in Theoretical Physics at Manchester University, died on April 10, at the age of 61. He made major contributions to the theory of nuclear reactions.

In the mid-1960s he wrote, with Dr P. J. A. Buttle, a seminal paper on neutron transfer in heavy ion reactions which made a significant impact even outside the world of physics.

Goldfarb, a Canadian by hirth, was a gifted student. He went to McGill University at the young age of sixteen and graduated in applied mathematics when he was twenty. Later he took his doctorate at Rochester, in the United States.

In 1955, after a couple of years with an oil company, he went to Manchester to join Professor L. Rosenfeld io the theoretical physics section of the physics department, and there he remained for the rest of his academic life.

to Manchester to preach the gospet. Goldfarb was a quiet and modest man. He had the theoretician's distaste for the

excessive use of computers. although he was gradually persuaded of their usefulness. lo his work he always sought. the physical principles involved. His wife, Jean, whom he

married in 1953, survives him with their two sons.

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overseeing the not wholly

successful experiment of in-

stalling catapult-launched

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AIR VICE-MARSHAL H. H. BROOKES

Air-Vice Marshal H. H. sent to the operations room of Brookes, CB, CBE, DFC, who has died at Port Alfred, South Africa, at the age of 83, served during the Second World War as a bomber pilot, fighter controller and staff officer. Later in bis career he held senior flying training appoint-Rhodesia.

Hugh Hamilton Brookes was born in the Andaman Islands and was educated at Bedford School, after which he went to Cranwell.

His early RAF career was substantially in bombers, though he did have a spell with the RAF's armoured car companies in Iraq, where he also had an intelligence job.

In the 1930s he was lent to the Army for a year, as a staff officer, and he did test flying at the Experimental Establishment at Martiesham.

During the war he commanded some of the early Blenheim formations in the Western Desert, and was then

Further wartime appointments included command of a DOMDEL MI command of RAF Breighton. Yorkshire; and a senior staff job with No 7 Bomber Group.

convoy defence.

After the war he found himself back in Iraq as CO of RAF Habbaniya, and he stayed on to become Senior Air Staff Officer in Iraq. Among his later appoint -ments were AOC Rhodesian-Air Training Group: AOC 25 Group Flying Training Command; and AOC Levant Middle East Air Force:

Retiring from the RAF, he went to Rhodesia, where he served in the police. He eventually retired to South Africa.

He leaves his widow and daughter.

MR MICHAEL VARVILL Mr Michael Varvill, CMG,

who did much to develop the purts of Nigeria during the last years of colonial rule, died on

April 12, aged 78.
Educated at Mariborough and New College, Oxford, he joined the Colonial Service in 1932. One of his incidental achievements in provincial administration in Northern Nigeria, he claimed, was to build up a first rate soccer team in Kontagora.

During the war be served on the Governor's staff, then returned to London on secondment to the Colonial Office, and to spend a year at Cambridge as tutor to a large

FRITZ H. LANDSHOFF

Fritz H. Landshoff, who died in the Netherlands on March
30, aged 86, was once joint
owner of Gustav
Kiepenbeuer, a Potsdam
house that published the work of many leftist writers in Weimar Germany, including Brecht, Heinrich Mann, Arnold Zweig and Lion Feuchtwanger.

He moved to Amsterdam in 1933, where he founded a linerary magazine for exiled writers.

After the German invasion of the Netherlands, he went to the United States and founded L. B. Fischer with Gottfried Bermann-Fischer,

He was instrumental in publishing Thomas Mann's diaries.

Sr José Maria Aguerre Gonzalo, former president of the Banco Español de Credito (BANESTO), one of the so-called "Big Seven" private Spanish banks, died on April 7 in Madrid. He was 90.

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intake of ex-Servicemen as administrative cadets.

Back in post-war Nigeria he showed his ability to adapt to pressures for self-determination and economic development. He moved to Lagos, in charge of the Federal Ministry of Transport, with particular responsibility for ports and for developing the River Niger to cope with enormously increased use as a commercial waterway.

On retiring from the Service in 1960 he joined the board of the G. Bell & Sons, educational publishers. He was a bachelor.

NICOLA BENOIS

Nicola Benois, scenic artist, who has died in Italy, at the age of 87, was the son of the eminent St Petersburg stage designer Alexandre Benois and a cousin of the artist Nadia Benois (mother of Peter Ustinov) He spent most of bis life in

Milan, working at La Seala, whose chief designer he was for nearly forty years. During that time his output exceeded 200-sets and costume designs. His work abroad, on both

sides of the Atlantic, included the decor for London Festival Bailet's Esmeralda in 1954, and for two operas — Il Trovatore and Nabucco—for

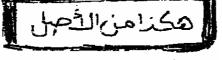
the Montreal Expo of 1967: His second wife, the singer Disma De Cecco, survives

Apeles Fenosa, a Catalan sculptor of the Paris School, died on March 25, aged 88. After studying in Barcelona he moved to Paris, where he met Picasso, who became his

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COSSTOCK: On April 10th, to Alison and Larry, a daughter, Alexandra Alden, a sister for Courtney. crost AND-TAYLOR - On April 9th, to Carlene (née Keen) and Nicholas, a daughter, Elizabeth Anne, a sister to EDGERLEY - On April 1st, to Jame (née Humphreya) and Robert a son.
James, a brother for Daniel. Thomas
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LAWRENSON - On April 9th, to Graham and Jacque, a sop. Oscar William Andrés, MCGRATTY On March 29th, to Peggy and Richard, a son, Joseph Arik, a brother to Jessica. MORE - On April 13th, in Geelong Amiralia, to Joanna (Cherry) An Roger, a son. NELSEY On March 30th 1988, to Claire (née Dallison) and Michael, a daughter, Victoria Helen. MVIEOM On March 25th 1985, to Caroline (nee James) and Angus, of Walcha N.S.W. a son, Charles Francis.

OLDMAN - On April 13th, to Helen (née Gifford) and John, a daughter. Lucy Helen, a sister for Caroline. Jo-anna and Nicola. TARE YM. On April 11th, to Revertey (née Starkey) and Greg. a son, a brother for Lars.

THEAKSTON - On April 11th, at Harrogate, to Candy (née Gin) und Simon, a daughter Famelia Maryaret Mary, a deter for William, WAUD - On April 12th, to Detritre infe

Ward and Christopher Lionel, a daughter Lucinda Rachel Alice, a sister for Juliet. MARRIAGES

ASOPREDISCREGORY - On April 7th. In London. James son of Mr. John and Ludy Guizar Anderson to Emily, designity of the inke Viscount Amor and Philippa Viscountess Assoc.

COLDEN ANNIVERSARIES ...

PARKINGON - On the 44th of Abril 1938, Nigel and Pennels were DEATHS

ANTILL. On April 12th, Walter Samuel Bill, med 96 years, Beloyed Inchand of the late Closly, formerly of Lymnegici. Sheffled had Kobe. Famera' at St. Geome's Chirch. Woodsells. or Worksop on Monday 18th April of 1.50 pre. BOYCE On April 10th, 1988, Leslie Boyce C.M.C., M.C., of Toowoomba.

BOYLE On April Bith, at Foltingbridge informary, peacefully in his 84th, year, Charles Harry, much loved turnsmer and great grandither; late of NZ-S, C.O. and A.A.F.A., Funeral at Cranborne, on Monday April 18th at 2,30pm. Enquires to: N. O'Hara Funeral Services Windowne: Dountions to Cancer related charities. CHAYAWAY On April 12th, 1988, peacefully, at bonne; Margaret Pritchard, widow of Denys Chalaven, much loved modify of Christopher, Michael, Susan and John, Funeral service St. George's Church, West Gristense, Saturday April 16th, 11am, Family flowers only.

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CREVERWELL - On April 11th, in Hogstell, Bury St. Educated in Med Strd year, much lower by her relations and 'friends and all who knew her. Funeral Service at pswich Crematorium on 15th April at 1.00pm, No Howers hed instead, if desired, donations to Dr. Barnando's. centred, donations to Dr. Barrando's.

GUNTIS - On April 11th 1988. Maurice Henry, furmerly of Checkendon. Private Cramation. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired for The Parkinson's Disease Society. 36 Portland Place, London W1N SDG. AR engilities for C.H. Lowendow. 114-116 Caford Road. Reading. 0734 572016.

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DAVID - On April Sin 1988, Nesta Ida.
aged 77 years. daughter of the late
Major and Mrs. E. Ivor David of
Cardiff. Funeral at Thornhull
Cermatorhum (Cardiff) 3.30pm on
Toesday April 19th. No flowers
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BAYES - On April 7th 1988, suddenly
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Church, Bridgend, Followed by crematten at Colty Crematorium at 12
noon, A kind man who will be sadly
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orandmother and great grandmother, Funeral service in be beid at Dundernätine Crematorium on Saturday 16th April 1988, at 19,48am; to Which all friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers

do is MARK Oo April 13th, aged 68. following a long limes. James Resion, brother of Julia, fathers and friend Valente, Louisa and ELLERBOGTON Co April 11th, at home in London, Alice, aged 93 years. Will be saidly missed by her two some Dan and Guy and her family and numerous friends around the world. Funeral private. Alvaro.

the world. Funeral private.

GARMAT - On April 11th, after a brief stness Andre beloved wife of Julien destry loved mother of Gifty and wonderful granny of Timothy and Louise. Funeral service at St Michaels Church, Chester Sq. SWI at 3.50pm on Monday April 19th. Private gremation. family Sowers only. Doublicos H desired to Cancer Research Campaign Heedquaters. 2 Carllon House Terrace. SWIY SAR. Carton House Terrace SW1Y SAR.

CARREDE - On April 12th, setty and suddenly, Richard Morray Garside, beloved turband of Jane and jather of John. Charles and William Puneral Service at Ross Parish Church on Tuesday 19th April at 11.00 am, Family Bowers only please. HAMELTON - On April 11th peacefully

at home. Geoffice Cadzew Hamilton C.B.E., aged 71 of Hons Kong and Keston. Rant. Cremation at Bedon-ham Cremation at 2.00 pm on Wednesday. April 20th. Flowers and entitiety to 2 & R. Killick. 112 High Street. West. Wickham. Liggraum we us to the District Colors of April 10th, District John, Ligatimand Constraints Recycl News (Read), Belowed Austrand of Mary and Jather of Vivien. Call, Robert and Carol. Frances of S. Faint's Church. Lee-th-Belent. Wednesday 20th April 2,00pm. Family flowers only, densitions to him Boltson's Leukersia Fund.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES,

KAYERGAL - On Tuesday April 12th 1968, in an aircraft accident is South Africa, Henry Arthur Rober Havergel, beloved son of Malcott and Flone and prother of Louise. LONGSIAN - On April 11th, pragefull

Antimatal - On April 5.1th, pencetully after a long tilness, bravely fought. Edma Dale aged 81, widow of Martin fi Longman and dearly loved mother of David and Janet (Oward, Grandmother and Crandmother and Crandmother Brustal Service on Tuesday April 19th at 2.00pm St. Pass's Church, Bruckley Rd. Beckenham, Followed by Crempton Enquiries and floral triuges to Francis Chappell & Sons, 238 High St. Beckenham, Kent. 02-650 0504. PERTO . On April 10th 1988, after

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Funeral to lake place on Wednesday
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Whitchunger Nursing Home.
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Vesta Dr. Douglas Reductin after a long thoses borne with great patience. Beloved husband, factor and grandfalter. Funeral today. Thirsday. Service at \$1 Andrews Church, Cargrave, pass Skipton, North Yorkshire at 12.46pm prior to cremation at Skipton. Crematorium, Friends plasse mest at the Church. please meet at the Chu flowers

PRESERT On April 11th 1988, peacefully at home. Brian Edward aged 77 years. Dearly beloved husbund of Diana. Puneral service at Easthampstead Park Cre Nine Mile Ride, Wokingto Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berin Friday 15th - April at 2.30 pm Enquiries and flowers to David Enquiries and flowers to Greedy, Tel 0344 773741. htsp6-call - On April 6th, peacefully at home. Namey. Funeral service at St. Margeret's Putney Park. Lame. London SW15 at 11.00 am on Tuessamy April 19th, Engelries in G. Gamble and Sons. 601 Fulham Bond. SW6. Tel: 01 385 7625.

SHAW-On April 5th 1988, at Newton Stewart Hodpital aged 92 years Sarah E. Howitt of Airyolland Croft Port William, Wigtownshire Beloved wife of the late Reverand Edric H. Styre. Effic. H. Staw.

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SWAMMATHAM - On April 10th, suddenly at Oxford, Malati, late of Oxford, sister of Ebarah (Sette) Venicateswaran of Arhington, Virginia and Vasanti Neelakanian of anta, Georgia, Funeral Service a John's Chapel, Oxfore materium at 3.30pm on Friday April: 15th. No flowers but conditions to: The Save The Children Fund. Enquiries to: Co-Operative Funeral Directors. Tel. Oxford 777072. TOWER - On April 12th, peacefully at The Knowle, Barcombe, Lewes, Susser, James Tower, memorial service at Spithurst Church, Barcombe on April 20th at 12 noon.

VARVEL - On April 12th 1988, peacefully to the Westmanter Houstin, Michael Hugh, C.M.G. aled 78. Only child of the Intr/Bernard and Mande Varvill, Funeral at Holy Trinky Church, Co. April 21st. at 11.30 am. WESTON - On April 9th, peacefully in hospital, Geoffrey, aged 86 Much loved husband of the late Kathleen Weston, and Joving father of Michael, Clare, Christopher and Baphara and devoted grandfather. Requiem Mass at the Church of The Holy Franky, Regard, at 1,0 am, on Monday 18th April, followed by private buried.

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will be held at 2.15 pm on Friday May 6th at Enmanuel Parists Church, Forest Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire. BLUCK - Robert Carlton and Else Olga. A Memorial and Thankogiving at 2.30pm on Friday 15th April at St., Laurence's Church. The Moor, Hawkhurst, Kent. philliff. A Memorial Sevice for Cicety Cassandra Multi will be held at 12 noon on Friday April 22nd at 5t. Peter ad Vincula. Wistorough Green, Sussex.

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David Robinson reviews the film version of an "unfilmable" love story, played out against the background of the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968

At long last, love

previous films have in-cluded Invasion of the Body Snatchers and The Right Stuff, deserves credit for sheer courage in under-taking The Unbearable Lightness of Being. Milan Kundera's admired 1984 novel has generally been regarded, not unreasonably, as unfilmable.

Moreover it requires the film maker to involve his audience with a very distinctive European socicty and temperament, and with historical events which happened 20 years ago, and even then engaged the Western media and public for only a matter of weeks. To compound everything, Kauf-man has had to recreate the Golden City of Prague in Switzerland and France; and to use a mulli-national cast who all affect a (more or less) uniform Czech

The significance of the title is that everything in life happens only once, without rehearsal or repetition. Kaufman and his writer. Jean-Claude Carrière, have respected Kundera's insistence that his book is about love and self-realization and ambiguity, and not a dissident emigré's attack on the misdeeds committed in the name of communism. It is "an

erotic love story into which tanks

Carrière has simplified Kundera's complex time structure into three distinct acts of equal length. The first is set io the Czech Spring of 1968, and shows the hero, Tomas (Daniel Day-Lewis), a young surgeon, as an inveterate womanizer, chasing sex but systematically evading the in-volvement of love. His most regular mistress, Sahina (Linda Olin), also shirks-emotional ties; but a pretty country girl, Tereza (Juliette Binoche), overcomes Tomas's reluctance, moves in and then marries him — only to suffer hitterly from his incorrigible

The second act (and the second of the film's three hours) begins with the Soviet invasion. Tomas, Tereza and Sabina emigrate to Geneva. Sabina moves on to America to avoid a new emotional threat; and Tereza flees back to Czechoslovakia to avoid dependence on Tomas. Tomas, to his own surprise, follows her. Back in Prague they become victims of the prevailing paranoia and persecution, and Tomas is sacked from his hospital and made to work as a window cleaner.

In the final act they escape to the countryside, where a brief spell of carefree bucolic living (before a fatalistic ending) awakens Tomas to the happiness of real love. This final hour, with its more deliberate dramatization, is the most con-centrated and successful section of the film. The previous acts seem at times interminable.

Daniel Day-Lewis, on whom the main weight of the film is thrust, comes into his own only in this final part. Previously, while gamely working at his accent, he gives a somewhat posturing and self-conscious performance that cannot altogether be explained away by the similar qualities in the character he plays.

Juliette Binoche, on the con-trary, is outstanding as the developing Tereza, with a whimsical, tentative quality that might belong to one of the girls io Milos Forman's Czech films of the Sixties. Lena Olin's Sabina, who wears an ancient bowler hat as a sexual fetish, seems rather more like the kitsch heroioes of Vera Chytilova's Daisies, from the

Thanks in no small degree to Sven Nykvist's photography, the recreation of the place and period, and the combination of new material and old actuality of the Soviet invasion, are tours de force,

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The Unbearable **Lightness of Being** (18)Empire 1

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Bellman and True

Screen on the Hill, Cannons Tottenham Court Road, Panton Street

Taking his cue from the deathbed exhortation of Bernadette of Lourdes - "the less one says about me the better" - the octogenarian Jean Delannoy has set out in Bernadette to make an unaffected simple hagiography, based on the recorded facts about the peasant girl who was to become the most



A dogged couple: Juliette Binoche, Daniel Day-Lewis and 'Karenin' in The Unbearable Lightness of Being

commercially exploitable saint in

There is none of the lush romance of Hollywood's 1943 The Song of Bernadette. The child's family are shown in realistic poverty, and her visions are matter-of-fact broad daylight affairs, without lighting effects or heavenly choirs. The most interesting scenes are Bernadette's interrogations by a succession of sceptical and cynical officials, each in turn outfaced by her modest common sense and un-shakeable insistence on her truth. It is interesting and occasionally

moving, but uninspired. The American baby star, Sydney Penny, is a shade too pretty and healthy and professionally seasomed for the title role. Bellman and True, adapted

from a novel by Desmond Lowden, who also collaborated on the screenplay with the director Richard Longraine, revives the bank heist thriller genre, with obvious glances at the Brink's Mat

The heist does not have enough originality, nor the psychological intrique enough substance, to justify the length of the film; and the grubby camerawork, wandering narrative and unrealistic. pseudo-literary dialogue have all very much the look of television series drama.

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Jeremy Kingston meets Maggie Steed, Beatrice in the RSC's Much Ado About Nothing

Rita Moon goes to Stratford

She strides across the carpet towards a sofa. She could pace the balcony in Private Lives with aplomb. You can imagine her wrapping herself in furs and sailing off to reign over 17th Century Sweden.

Maggie Steed's own wrap is a fake fur, smothered with pink and turquoise spots, that suggests a cross between a self-assured leopard and a tropical fish, "It's a very shy animal," she points out. "Hunters hardly ever find one."

Presumably the aura of confidence, as much as her height, is what brought mature characters within her range from early days. Her most recent role has been Gertrude in the RSC's touring production of Hamlet, travelling the country with A Comedy of Errors throughout last winter.

"I hadn't been on the road for 10 years, since touring with Belt and Braces, one of the groups that started off in the Seventies. We used to bump into each other in motorway 'caffs' at three o'clock in the morning on the way back from Hull, or Bridlington or

"It's very moving. People drive 40 miles twice in one week to see two different Shakespeare plays and say, 'Oh, you've been the bigh spot of the last four months for us.' And I thought, 'I remember . . . I remember why I wanted to do That decision was taken way

"I don't know when, really. I'm one of those people who can't remember when they didn't want to do it. I used to write plays, adapt Alice in Wonderland, so as Irony and aplomb: Maggie Steed to be able to speak the words. something. 7:84 and Joint Stock,

"There was an embarrassing occasion once: I used to stay up very late at nights when I was about, I don't know, I I or 12, and sit on the windowsill and look out of the window and read poetry.

back in her Plymouth childhood.

props, all the costumes, all the "And the woman across the road, apparently it woke her up "In every way it was an abone oight and she said, 'Oh,' she said, 'Mrs Baker, '-my name's Baker - 'Mrs Baker, I heard this solutely tremendous tour, because you go to places that don't have theatres, that aren't near theatres. terrible booming ooise the other, And you are packed every night, night. I looked out and it was your Margaret sitting in the window, reading poetry into the night." with people who are really enthusiastic about seeing Shakespeare.

Night-time poetry recitals led to school plays. "But it was a girls' school, so I only acted boys: Romeo, Richard of Bordeaux, Toad of Toad Hall. All chaps. I didn't know if I could play girls till I went to drama school."

Girls she has managed on stage since then have included Adelaide in Gurs and Dolls, Livia in Can't Pay. Won't Pay. When she was playing a tempestuous Rita Moon in ITV's Shine On. Harvey Moon, one of her fellow actors was Clive Merrison, her current Benedick. "So we know each other, we're old

mates, and that's good."
Rather like Beatrice and Benedick in fact? "That's right. There's an indication that they've had some sort of thing before.

"But the play is all so wonderful, so great. It would be awful if it just stayed a comedy. Not awful, but a shame. The play just plunges into tragedy. And there's no cheating in it, because structurally he's introduced Dogberry and Verges, who are our good men and are going to get us through in the end. He doesn't have to cheat."

Fast and finely danced

DANCE

Swan Lake Alhambra, Bradford

Natalia Makarova's new Swan Lake for London Festival Ballet, although based on her traditional Russian upbringing, will be remembered chiefly as a streamlined version, perhaps the first to rely on new technology for its

She has decided to concentrate entirely on the classical aspects of the choregraphy. Gone are all the stylized folk dances from the third scene; gone too are Siegfried's tutor, and the jester who infests most Russian productions, and with them the comic duet from Scene I goes, also.

The designs by Gunther Schneider-Siemsson reioforce this approach. There are three giant screens, like VDU screens except that they are shaped to resemble distorted swans' wings. Placed one at the back, one on either side, they move easily forward and back, up or down.

Painted scenery is projected on to these from behind; so are films showing the visions of Odette (played by Makarova) who tries to warn Siegried in Scene III, and of Rothbart, a giant, half glimpsed presence hovering threateningly over Scenes II and

A benefit of this treatment is almost instantaneous scene Makarova is consequently able to present the ballet in little under two and a half bours with only one intermission. But the effect, with Schneider-Siemsson's dim lighting, Dietmar Solt's mostly dull costumes, and a scrim across the front of the stage for the lakeside scenes, is very much on the gloomy side.

Festival Ballet has acquired most of the choreography which Frederick Ashton made for various Covent Garden productions no longer in use there; is this statesmanship or cheek? Scene II is in the Russian version of Ivanov's choreography, except that Odette has her solo earlier than usual. (This makes sense for the emotional sequence of the dances).

Petipa is represented only by the Black Swan duet: even the bril-



Seductive, swift and strong in movement: Susan Hogard as Odile

liant Pas de Trois is discarded. The rest of the choreography is Makarova's own: very bland, I am afraid, with lots of steps but no

Makarova's main achievement lies in the quality of the dancing. She has chosen initially to use different dancers for Odette and Odile, but not every night: this is expediency, not principle, to bring on the young dancers gradually.

Her opening cast is very young. Trinidad Sevillano makes a creamily fluent Odette, even if tentative as yet, especially in the use of her arms; Susan Hogard a very seductive Odile, swift and strong in movement.

I am not convinced that any Siegfried would mistake one for

the other; even one as romantically preoccupied as Patrick Armand. The production emphasizes his moodiness, even to the point of wandering off stage during the entertainment presented for his pleasure in Scene I (the Ashton Pas de Quatre, needing a little more elegance and dazzle yet.)

The storm scene at the end is spectacular, with the filmed Rothbart shaking torrents of water from his wings. Odette's and Siegfried's decision to wade out and drown themselves is a sur-prise, but striking A pity, though, that their transfiguration is filmed: massive pictorial effects are no real substitute for live dancers.

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TELEVISION

was that while the North sings an unceasing ode to economic joy, the South has little save its sun.

The best thing about the engag-ing and simputico Heiney is that be is not Russell Harty; the worst, his caption-like commentary, in which informative and by no means unintelligent statements are lethally skewered by visual puns. This rib-sudging approach is patronizing and ultimately distracting. One never knows to what extent the image is determining the thought, nor whether the details are considered more important than the approach. portant than the argument.

Appropriately enough, in dealing with the Italian economic miracle, there was even a sorpasso. "If I may mix my metaphors the way they mix their ice-creams," Heiney perorated at a conference of gelatieri in the Dolomites - and then capped this apologetic introduction with a wince-making but perfectly unmixed sustained metapher to do with one-scoop economies and knickerbocker glo-ries, complete with cherries on top. If television frontmen persist in getting their glories in such a twist, what hope is there for European understanding?

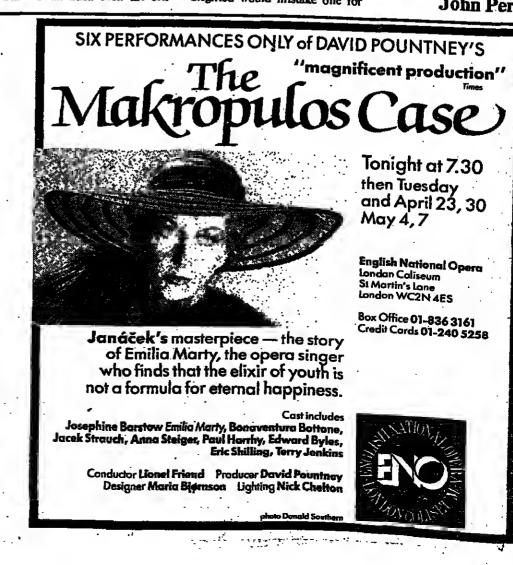
Following last Sunday's South Bank Show, the publisher Peter Owen's second major puff of the week came with a Bookmark (BBC2) on Shusake Endo, who has been called "the Japanese Graham Greene". This novelist's Catholicism does indeed lend him an noexpected angle on his native society, where the concept of sin is equated solely with public

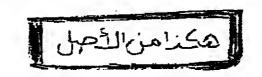
exposure.

The profile itself never found its focus. Alec McCowen read out Endo extracts of a dissertational temper, and a colourless voice-over decorated footage of the author larking about with amateur larking about with amateur operatics. Late in the day we learnst that he also hosts a popular television talk-show; at least a clip of this should have been shown.

Martin Cropper

Jewellery & Silver







Peter Ackroyd looks at Peter

Brook's new

autobiography and his critics

THE SHIFTING POINT

Forty Years of Theatrical Exploration: 1946-1987

By Peter Brook

PETER BROOK:

A THEATRICAL CASEBOOK

Compiled by David Williams

ciplines of opera and film has been -

to put it no higher — influential. So why is it that this anthology of his essays, The Shifting Point, is less than wholly satisfactory? It carries the note of definite conviction, it is well and on occasions forcefully argued, but in the end it seems a somewhat inconclusive and disconsintal health.

conclusive and disappointing book.

This may be connected with the Bradleyan philosophy which Brook intimates in his title — there is no

single truth, only a oumber of finite points of view — but I suspect that it

has more to do with the director's

own career. It is not that he has lost his way but rather that, for reasons best known to himself, he has chosen to take an elaborate detour — a bewildering journey exemplified by the difference between the

Shakespearian words which in the first half of his career he did so much

to illuminate and the gibberish of his later Orghast — IN OMBOLOM BULLORGA being one example of a nonsense language which was supposed to strike deep chords in the feelings of its auditors, but which did no more than betray a kind of helpless

Yet in one sense his career has been

exemplary - since a successful direc-

tor needs more than a fair share of

egotism, will-power and sheer bra-vura it was natural that Brook should

have taken to his profession very

early in life. He was an enfant terrible

almost while he was still an enfant, and in succeeding years he created memorable productions for the Royal

Opera House, the National Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Com-

pany. There seems always to have been a definite desire to shock or at

least to surprise, and so his excursions

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Ringer's family of whom he

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into the Theatre of Cruelty and the anti-war activism of US in the Sixties were par for an increasingly controversial course. Then in 1970 Brook opened the International Centre of Theatre Research in Paris and, since that time, he has been involved in international improvisations and productions which have not only turned the theatre on its head but spun it around, emptied its

pockets and stamped all over it.
It is of course with this latter period that he is most closely identified, but there is a recognizable and permanent attitude of mind which has animated all of his work. Although in his collection of essays he severely criticizes those who deal in dramatic theory, he is a director who himself

as soon as he could hold a

He apprenticed himself to a Norwich firm of lithographers.

Thus he painstakingly learned the precision in drawing of

pencil.

seems more interested in "ideas" than in anything else - whether it be the idea of a new language, or the idea of actors swarming among an audi-ence, there is an element of self-willed and sometimes not altogether convincing contrivance. He seems never willingly to have forfeited the role of "Boy Wunder" which was thrust upon him so many years before there is nothing wrong with that of course but it does except that, of course, but it does suggest what is essentially a form of entrepreneurial arrogance. He confe that in his earlier career he was more interested in images than in actors, but this is still the case — only the scale of the imagery has changed. Where once it was Love Labour's

Lost, now it is an entire Hindu epic.

starving African tribe. But there is something too flashy, too cerebral, about the transition. One gets the impression that everything is turned

into yet another bright idea.
As a result Brook's anthology, and the Casebook of his various commentators, are filled with the fashions of the periods in which the various essays were written. Discontinuity, improvisation, simultaceity, participation — all the code-words of the Sixties and early Seventies reappear here like the echoes of an ancient pop-song. And so it is that even one of Brook's admirers. Charles Marowitz, is quoted in the Casebook as saying of his Lear that "... I still discern the absence of internal life."

t is almost impossible not to write "his Lear" in this context, as if Brook were to be given as much credit as Shakespeare. And that of course is part of the problem. The apotheosis of the director is in fact quite puzzling — it is a modern development, no doubt as temporary as the reign of the actor-manager but no less debilitating. It has something to do with the rise of film, something to do with the authoritarianism of the twentieth century but much more to dn with the decline of organized religion and the increasingly des-perate search for substitutes. Perhaps that is why Irving Wardle, in his introduction to the Casebook, describes Brook's career as having "the quality of a primal legend". The director becomes, if not exactly God, at least hero or saint.

And that is also no doubt why Brook himself now seems most interested in the theatre as a communal ritual - in his hands it seeks to acquire an almost religious intensity and to adumbrate "universal" significance. The theatre is, for him, no less than everything — "capturing truth and life", "a burning and fleeting taste of another world in which our present world is integrated and transformed". But drama is not theology, directors are not gods. theology, directors are not gods, actors rarely priests—and although it is natural for any professional to overrate his own sphere of activity, it is unwise to claim quite as much indicate and the confidence of significance as this.

At the very least it encourages portentousness and a sometimes deadly humourlessness. Of course there are good things in The Shifting Point — Brook is interesting about his own history, and there are some percipient essays here on Shakespeare and Chekhov. It is only when he starts talking about "essentials" that he comes to grief. His is a doctrine of perfection but the theatre is an imperfect medium, and in that paradox one senses both the significance and the weakness of his work.

Daubing fine fillies waited patiently for his early morning returns from the hois-terous dinners he went to several times a week.

WHAT A GO The Life of Alfred Munnings By Jean Goodman

Woodrow Wyatt

Collins, £17.50

great value to him as a painter. He stadied at the Art School and joined the Art Circle, redolent of the Norwich School, through which he was and triumphs of the exciting world be knew he would selling pictures by 19. He had two paintings accepted for the Royal Academy Smamer Ex-hibition at 20. He was on his His first marriage was not ensummated. It ended when way to the traumas, disaster

NEW BOOKS

The Deputy Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

Conned and Peligion, by John Lester (Macmillan, £27.50)
Lord Jim the Baptist, Kurtz as Christ figure. The mutation from
Catholic to atheist of our greatest action man.
A History of Private Life: Vol (I Reveletions of the Medieval
World, ed. Georges Duby, translated by Arthur Goldhammer
(Harvard, £24.95) Day to day life in one of history's more
harrible enochs.

nomble epochs.

Challepin, by Victor Borovsky (Hamish Hamilton, £25) Biog of the great singer, on whom Stanislavsky based his system.

Dame Laura Knight, by Caroline Fox (Phaedon, £25) Sunny pics of Cornwall, theatre, ballet, circus; darker pics of

Nuremberg.
The Scep Letters, by Henry Root (Michael O'Mara, £9.95) In-

The Scep Letters, by Henry Root (Michael O'Mara, £9.95) Indepth diary of ongoing attempts to get a TV scap on the road, by a man who made his fortune in wet fish.

Milligan's War: The selected War Memoirs of Spike Milligan (Michael Joseph, £12.95) Hitler, Monty, Musso, Rommel, his part in their downfall. Stands alongside Waugh's Sword of Honour trilogy as the best portrait of World War I wo.

The Ridgeway: Europe's oldest road, by Richard Ingrams with paintings from the Francis Kyle gallery (Phaldon, £14.95) Mr Private Eye hoofs it over the Berkshire and Wiltshire downs. (Snipcock and Tweed, 195gns).

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his wife killed herself after two

years from unhappiness over a lesbian affair. Mannings had married her because she was socially superior and made a stylish model, especially on a horse. His second marriage in 1920 to the elegant daughter of a fashionable London riding years. It signifies he was now a master, a familiar of royalty, tasted until his death in 1959. with Stubbs as a painter of It is not clear whether this was

She, too, looked wonderful on a horse, as can be seen, among other good illustra-tions, in My Wife, My Horse and Myself, painted outside his handsome Regency castle house, Dedham in Suffolk. He was immensely prood of this house in which he lived for 40

real gentleman. He must rank with Stubbs as a painter of horses, their riders and consummated either, being described by Jean Goodman as "childless and, seemingly, seemally unsatisfactory", but she managed his money, looked after his house and have been the former.

> Barbary Lane is represented in both camps, and Brian, while fearing the worst, does his best to reconcile the two implacably opposed cultures. There are shennanigans and shemozzies; couples snap sharply spart and then drift lazily back together under the redwoods; and the whole affair is presented with an understated charm that disguises smooth construction and a real talent for creating farcical set-pieces. Maupin's ear for dialogue is as acute as his seeling for characterization, and the net result is as engaging a read as you're likely to encounter in many moons.

Putting Out is another book you could get terribly wrong from just glancing at the sleeve-note. Novels by special teachers from North Kensington don't immediately make this reader's pulse quicken. But Neil Ferguson must be a weekeed romancer weekeod. extraordinaire, to judge by his fictional debut. It's a slick.

Ombolom Bullorga? The best all died

This was Primo Levi's last book, finished just before he killed himself a year ago. To speculate about Levi's suicide is, as Paul Bailey says in a shrewd and sympathetic introduction, "as pointless as it is distateful". But the book gives some

inkling of the permanent mental pain he suffered, quite apart from any immediate By Primo Levi Michael Joseph, £10.95 fears or sorrows which precipitated his action.

least vindictive of the writers who have borne witness to the borror of the Nazi concentration camps. He was always, as Bailey says, "on the side of life". The Drowned and the Saved teaches us that to understand is not to forgive. Levi did not forgive the Germans for what they did to his people. The more you understand what evil is, perhaps, the more you suffer. "Anyone who has been tor-tured remains tortured", writes Levi, about an Austrian philosopher who was tortured by the Gestapo, sent to Ausch-witz, and committed sucide in

What Levi understands, and what he tries to convey here specifically for the benefit of the generations who have grown up since the war, is that existence in the concentration camps was riddled with ambiguities. (It was, but was not simply, a matter of the good guys being persecuted by the bad guys.) He is scathing about the sort of psychoHOLOCAUST MEMOIR Victoria

Glendinning THE DROWNED AND THE SAVED

Levi has been among the nonsense which imagines a sado-masochistic connivance between the torturers and the tortured. But in a chapter cotified The Grey Zone he remembers — and it is as painful to read as it must have been to write - incidences of the cruelty and inhumanity of concentration camp victims to nne another, and the way the human drive for power, prestige and privileges, in this case food, made some Jews collaborate with the guards, or join the Special Squad that manned the crematoria. He makes no moral judgements. He just describes the way it

Liberation from the camps did not bring instant happi-ness. Most of the victims suffered from depression and anguish after their release, and some committed suicide. Levi tries to analyse the complex shame that they, and he, continued to feel. The irrational guilt at having survived at all has often been mentioned, but Levi gives

hearthreaking reasons for it.

The guilt is about not having tried harder to resist the system, or to help victims weaker than oneself. "The aims of life are the best defence against death: and not only in the Lager", he writes, arguing against war, against cruelty. "Satan is oot necessary." But the disturbing in allegation of his book seems implication of his book seems to me to be that the "aims of life", in the Lager, made people brutal. Io order to have a chance of survival, you had to look after yourself

The suspicion that haunted him was not just that the fittest survived, but that the fittest meant the worst - "the selfish, the violent, the insensitive, the collaborators.... The best all died." He tried to take comfort from the idea that he survived so that he could bear witness - as he did, in seven unforgettable books. But the story of the camps, he be-lieved, was written by the wrong people. The "complete witnesses", who knew the ultimate horrors, never came out alive.

In the face of his unending dialogue with the unbearable past there is no judgement to be made — except a literary one, and a regret that this brief, impassioned and lucid book had not a more agile translator. Levi's dialogue is with the future as well as with the past. "It happened, therefore it can happen again: that is the core of what we have to

Camping in couples

First a hearty cheer for Chattos, for giving us the fifth of Armistead Maupin's Tales of the City cycle. Next, a resounding raspberry for them and the rest of the British hardback publishing industry for ignoring the first four of what may well be the funniest series of novels currently in

For those who do not know his work, the epicentre of Mr Maupin's fictional world is 28 Barbary Lane, in the respectably Bohemian quarter of San Francisco, Residents of the area tend to be househusbands, media god-

desses, and poet-playwrights, desses, and poet-playwrights. They also tend to be homosex-ual. If I tell you that Maupin describes himself as a commit-ted gay rights activist and that most of the action of Signifi-cant Others takes place at a Women Only music festival and an exclusive Country Club for Professional Gentlemen, situated dangerously forests of Northern California, then I can be reasonably confident of having given you a completely false impression of a most accomplished piece of comic writing. What makes Armistead Maupin remarkable (apart of course from his name) is that you don't need to have the slightest interest in the world in which his charac-

Brian, the househusband, thinks he may have caught something nasty (AIDS, since this is contemporary San Francisco) from an unwise happens) and takes off on a boys-only trek ap-country to avoid having to make love to his wife before he gets the results of the blood-test. As chance would have it, his rural roost turns out to be within comfortable hiking (and, when the plot demands it, swimming) distance of both the Wimminwood Festival and the old goats' semi-Spartan, semi-sybaritic

ters move to find his books

The perfect hypocrite: Sir John Gielgud as Joseph Surface in School for Scandal (1937). It is his 84th birthday on April 14th, and Robert Tanitch's festschrift Gielgud (Harrap, £14.95) is a fine photo-record of his career

FICTION

John Nicholson

SIGNIFICANT OTHERS By Armistead Maupin Chaim & Windus, £10.95 **PUTTING OUT** By Neil Ferguson Hamish Hamilton, £10.95

PENNY WISE By Susan Mondy Michael Joseph, £10.95

A CHARM AGAINST DROWNING By Frederic Lindsay Andre Deutsch, £10.95

fantastical investigation of fashionable New York life, seen through the eyes of a former Professor of Semiotics, now employed by the NY expertise in interpreting the metaphorical significance of situations to their forensic

armoury. The stylish Lieutenant Maxwell Faraday may refuse to wear his police-issue revolver on the grounds that it ruins the line of his suit. But he's no slouch with a .41 single-action rimfire Colt, stock silver-inlaid and engraved by Tiffany. And even Captain O'Duff, who would prefer his precinct Prof-less,

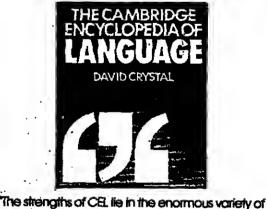
have around when New York's favourite newscaster is gunned down by a sex-change artist the day before the denizens of the Big Apple are due to elect themselves a new

Mayor,
Perhaps Max Faraday is scheduled to join the ranks of recurring part-time detectives like Susan Moody's Penny Wanawake the black, six foot, trouble-shooting daughter of an English lady and an African diplomat, who Modestly Blaises a trail around the watering-holes favoured by the European intest. People the European jet-set. Penny Wise is another fifth-in-the series. Sadly, Miss Moody's relentlessly jokey narrative is beginning to pall, and she seems to be losing interest in her heroine, judging by this less than sparkling account of mayhem in the up-market botel business.

Much more convincing is Frederic Lindsay's third novel, A Charm Against is an educationalist, a failure in his own and the world's eyes, trying desperately to maintain a relationship with his studeot daughter. But Chris is a junkie, written off by the medical profession, whose only hope of salvation involves her father in a course of action far beyond his powers - though not his imagination. This harrowing book, which veers between realism and fairy-tale, is a worthy succesprefer his precinct Prof-less, sor to the equally disturbing admits Max is a useful man to Brond and Jill Rips.

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A BLUES IN THE NIGHT: Hit black ★ BLUES IN THE NIGHT: Hit black blues show, with Carrol Woods, Sarah Woollett. Helen Gelzer and Peter Straker singing their hearts out in a sleazy Chicago hotel.

Piccadilly Theatre, Denman Street, W1 (01-437 4506). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thurs 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 6.30-8pm and 9-11pm, £8.50-£14.50. (D)

☆ DANGER: MEMORYI: Arthur Miller Year continues with a double-bill of typically tense one act plays starring Paul Rogers, John Bennett and Betsy

Hampstead Theatre, Avenue Road, NW3 (01-722 9301). Tube: Swiss Cottage. Mon-Fri 8pm, Sat 8.30pm, mat Sat 4.30pm, £5-£7.50.

th HAPGOOD: Puzzling new Tom Stoppard play. Spies, physics and misunderstandings; with Nigel Hewthorne, Roger Rees, Felicity Kendal and lain Glan. Aldwych Thestre, Aldwych WC2 (01-836 6404). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Fri 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 8-11pm, mats Wed 2.30-5.30 and Sat 4-7pm, 25-14.50.

A LETTICE AND LOVAGE: Maggie ★ LETTICE AND LOVAGE: Maggie Smith and Margaret Tyzack waging accentric war against the modern world in Peter Shaffer's new comedy. Globe Theathe, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3667). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat. 7.45-10.15pm, mat Sat 3-5.30pm, £7.50-£14.50. (0)

THE MIRACLE WORKER: William Gibson's celebrated play showing how blind young Helen Keller learnt to communicate; with Hiddegard Neil, Daryl Back, Ian Lavender. Westminster Theetre, Palece Street SW1 (01-834 0283). Tube: Victoria. Tues-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mats Wed and Thurs 2.30-5pm, and Sat 3-5.30pm, £5.50-£12.50.

★ THE MUSICAL COMEDY MURDERS OF 1940: New York comedy-thriller starring Simon Cadell, Tom Baker, Margaret Courtnay, Sheila Steafel, Maria Fnedman: set in a country mansion cut off (you guessed) by snow. Greenwich Theatre, Crooms Hill SE10 (01-858 7755). Train: Greenwich. Monsat 7.45pm, mats Sat 2.30pm, £3-£10.

★ 'TIS PITY SHE'S A WHORE: Rupert Graves and Suzan Sylvester play the incestuous lovers in Ford's masterpiece ol betrayal and revenge, National Theatre (Olivier), South Bank, London SET (01-928 2252), Tube: Waterloo. Tonight 7.15pm, £6,50-£13. then £6.50-£13.

★ ZiEGFELD: Spectacular musical based on the life of the man who made the famous Follies, and costing 8 bomb. With Len Carlou, Geoffrey Hutchins and Louise Gold, London Palladlum, 8 Argyll Street, W1 (01-437 7373). Tube: Oxford Circus, Previews until April 25, Mon-Sat 7:30-15 pm, mat Sat 2:45-5:30pm, Opens April 26, 7:30-10.15pm. Then as before plus mats on Wad 2:45-5:30pm, Previews £4:50-£16.50. From April 26, £3:25-£21.00.

WORD-WATCHING Answers from page 22

(b) Spanish for a house, specifically 6 wayside inn, or boarding-house, not necessarily very luxurious. **EMBOUCHURE** (c) The position of the mouth when playing a wind instrument, from the French for the mouth of a river, or a

(b) The acronym for COMmunications INTelligence, the process of gathering intelligence by intercepting communications.

river valley.

MYS (a) An Athenian artist famous for working and polishing silver, he represented the battle between the Centaurs and the Lapiths on the silver shield in the hand of the statue of Athena in the Parthenon sculpted by Phidias. LONG RUNNIERS:

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The Business of
Murder: Maytair Theatre (01-629
3036)...

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Follies: Shaftesbury
Theatre (01-375 8399)...

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Street: Drury Lane Theatre (01-836
8108/9/0)...

Kiss Me Kate: Savoy
Theatre (01-836 8888)...

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Liaisons Dengereuses: Ambassadors
Theatre (01-836 8111, cc 01-836
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Theatre (01-836 8111, cc 01-836
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(1836 1443)...

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(1839 2244)...

Run For Your Wife:
Criterion Theatre (01-830 3216)...

Serious Money: Wyndhams Theatre
(01-836 3028)...

Starlight Express:
Apolo Victoria (01-828 8865)...

And
Theatre (01-836 5122).

OUT OF TOWN

NORTHAMPTON: ☆ The Murder Factory of John George Halgh: World premiere of John Peacock play about the acid bath murders of 1951.
Royal Theatre, Guidhail Street (0604 24811). Mon-Fri 7.30pm, Sat 8pm, mat Thurs 2.30pm, 23-27.

SOUTHAMPTON: * The Little Heroine: Katharine Schlesinger, Georgina Hale and Michael Culver in Nell Dunn's first play since Staaming. Nurfield Theatre, University Road (0703 671771). Mon-Thurs. 7.30pm, Fri and Sat 8pm, mat 4pm, £3.90-£6.50.

BOLTON: * HARD TIMES: Adaptation of Dickens's novel set in "Coketown" (i.s. Presion), exposing the haws in the work ethic. Octagon Theatre, Howell Croft South, Bolton (0204 20661). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mat Sat 2.30pm, £2.30-£4.90.

WATFORD: & Winter in the Morning Susanah Harker and Nick Wilton in play with cabaret inserts showing young love fighting to survive in the Warsaw ghetto. Palace Theatre, Clarendon Road (0923 225671). Mon-Thurs 7.45pm, Fri and Sat 8pm, mat Sat 3pm, 25.50-27.25.

FILMS.

Also on national release 2 Advance booking possible

BABETTE'S FEAST (U): One of Karen Blixen's lighter tales, immaculately transferred to the screen by a follow Dane, Gabriel Axel, With Stephane Audran as a famous Parisian chef who tests her skills on an austere religious community (105 min). Renoir (01-837 8402). Progs 2.10, 4.20,

BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED (PG): Last year's Christmas treat from the Spielberg factory - a story of harassed Manhattan tenement dwelfers, betriended by flying saucers. With Hume Cronyn, Jessica tandy; directed by Matthew Robbins. Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.45, 4.00, 6.15, 8.30. Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 1.15, 3.50, 6.10, 8.30. Cannon Panton Street (01-930 0631). Progs 2.10, 4.40, 7.10, 9.40. E Plaza (01-437 1234). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

CRY FREEDOM (PG): Richard Attenborough's bumper bundle of exciting speciacle and liberal sentiments; with Kevin Kline as sentiments; with Kevin Kline as journalist Donald Woods, drawn into the

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Scruff with a sharp style

"Mob of Men and Two Women" (above) by Gerald Wilde (1905-1986) is a lithograph drawn in 1928, while he was a student at Chelsea School of Art. In while he was a stinein at Chersea School of Art. In style it is a far cry from the later bold and sinuous abstract paintings on which his reputation is founded. But there is much of Wilde's personal eccentricity expressed in this image of shambling and dishevelled Desperate Dan-like figures. For Wilde was one of those romantic loners common among English artists whose nonconformity needles the establishment, but who are otherwise loved for their independence of spirit and unconventional lifestyle. He was a charming scruff, a devotee, like L.S. Lowry, of the baggy, dinner-and-paint stained suit, and he lived out his last years freezing to a death in a stable. It is

Gulley Jimson, the irascible, often inebriated artist in The Horse's Mouth, on his friend Wilde. It is unfortunate that his persona has tended to over-shadow his painting. This condition is now remedied with a substantial exhibition of Wilde's work from all periods of his career which starts today at the October periods of his career which starts today at the October Gallery, 24 Old Gloucester Street, London WC1 (01-242 7367), Tuesday to Saturday 12.30 to 4.30pm, free, until May 21. A second, smaller show of paintings, drawings and prints is at David Hibbert Gallery, 55 Broad Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset (0294-3446), Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm, 2.30 to 5.30pm, Thursday 10am to 1pm only, Saturday 10am to 1pm, free, until April 28. to 1pm, free, until April 28.

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Ill EMPIRE OF THE SUN (PG):

J G Batlard's autobiographical novel about a British child in Shanghai caught by the invading Japanese in the Second World War; filmed by Steven Spielberg with great panache. With Christian Bale, John Malkovich and Nigel Havers (153 min) min). Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636).

Cannon Humann Host (07-370 2636). Progs 1.45, 5.10, 8.40. Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 8861). Progs 1.10, 4.35, 7.55. Screen on the Green (01-226 3520). Progs 1.55, 5.00, 8.00. FULL METAL JACKET (18): Stanley Kubrick's meticulously filmed Vietnam drama, following Matthew Modine and other recruits from basic training to

combat. Kubrick's clinical eye for human, behaviour is still unbeatable (115 min). 29 Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 1.05, 3.35, 6.05, 8.35. HOLLYWOOD SHUFFLE (15): Spoofs

HOLLTWOOD SHUFFLE (15): Spoofs and sketches hung on the peg of a black actor trying to get on in Hollywood. High-spirited, if patchy; written, produced and directed by its star, Robert Townsend (82 min). Metro (01-437 0757). Progs 2.30, 4.15, 6.00, 7.45, 9.30. THE KITCHEN TOTO (15): Writerdirector Harry Hook makes an Impressive debut with this observant

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Gregory's Girl 5.35m
Cheend 4.55m
An Audience With Billy Connelly 4.15m
Haw Does Your Garden Grow? 4.05m
Jesus of Nazareth 3.95m

drama about a bewildered young servant during Kenya's fight for independence. With Bob Peck and Phylis Logan (97 min). Cannon Première (01-439 4470). Progs

THE LAST EMPEROR (15): Bertolucci's gorgeously photographed epic, winner of nine Oscars, tells the extraordinary story of Pu Yi, China's last imperial ruler, who lived to become a model Communist citzen. With John Lone, Peter O'Toole (162 min). Lumière (01-836 0691). Progs 2.10, 4.20, 6.35, 8.50.

CONCERTS

* MACKERRAS MUSIC: Sir Charles MACKENHAS MUSIC: SIT Crailes
Mackerras conducts the Pro Musica
Chorus, Brighton Festival Chorus, RPO
and Stephen Roberts (beritone) in
Belshazzar's Feast by Walton. But first
the orchestra plays Vaughan Williams'a
Wasps Overture and Elgar's "Enigma"
Variations.

Royal Festival Helf, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 8pm, £4-£20.

the MOZART/BERLIOZ: The Bournemouth Sinfonierta is conducted by Roger Norrington in the Overture and Ballet Music from Idomeneo, his Symphony No 41 "Jupiter" and four songs from Berlioz's Nuits d'Etè with Sarah Walker (mezzo soprano).

Coiston Hall, Colston St, Bristol (0272 201768 or 262957). 7 30pp. 53 20. 291768 or 262957), 7.30pm, £3.20-

★ SALKELD'S SHOW: Stephen Salkeld pleys Bach's Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue, Beethoven's Piano Sonata Op

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 ★ SONNERIE SOUNDS: As part of the Wigmore Hall's "Early Music and Baroque" series the Trio Sonnerie plays Picchi.

Wigmore Hell, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £2.50-£5. * IGOR OISTRAKH: The distinguished A RIGH OISTRAME The distinguished Russian violinist performs Bach's Chaconne BWV 1004, Ysaye's Sonata Op 27 No 3 end is joined at the plano by natalia Zertsalova for Beethoven's Sonata Op 96, Chausson's Poème and pieces by Khachaturien and Paganini. Queen Eizabeth Hell, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.45pm, 25-212-50. JAZZ

ART BLAKEY: Pushing 70, he leads his current edition of the Jazz Messengers, including trombonist Robin Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747) 9.30pm, £8 (members £2).

A STAN TRACEY: On the road with a quintet featuring sexophonists Alan Skidnrore and Art Themen. Band On The Wall, 25 Swan Street, Manchester (051 832 6625) doors open 8.30pm, £3.50.

☆ OLIVER JONES: After years in a showband the Canadian pianist splashed onto the jazz scane in 1980, earning comparisons with his comparried Oscar Peterson. The Arts Centre, Church Street, Colchester (0206 577301) 8.30pm, £5.

☆ ADELAIDE HALL: See caption. Donmer Warehouse, 41 Earlham Street. London WC1 (01-240 8230) 11.15pm,



The singer Adelaide Hall (above) begins a four night residency at the Donmar Warehouse tonight, backed by her own band (see listing). Hall, who made her professional debut more than 60 years ago in the all-black revue Shuffle Along, later toured Europe with Josephine Baker. In 1927 she contributed the wordless vocals to Duke Ellington's "Creole Love Call." She will be singing more Ellington classics on Saturday week at the South Bank when she takes part in the annual concert in memory of the composer.

ROCK

* JOHNNY CLEGG & SAVUKA: Noisy but seamless fusion of rock and South African township roots from the white Zulu and his multi-racial group. Riverside, 57-59 Melbourne Stre Riverside, 57-59 Melbourne Guoda Newcastle-upon-Tyne (091 261 4386) 7.30pm, 23.50-£4.

* MARY COUGHLAN: Tired And Enotional Irish singer, recently seen guesting with the Pogues. Sedier's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916) 7.30pm, 26-27, for two nights.

☆ ROBERT PLANT: Ex-Led Zeppelin vocalist, growing older with wit and grace. Country, 9-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (01-257 3334) 7-30pm, 28.50.

★ ERASURE: The cool electro-pop of Andy Bell and Vince Clarke. Forum at the NEC, Birmingham (02) 780 4133) 7.30pm, £7. ☆ DEF LEPPARD: "Armageddon #"

soft-metal hitmakers. Edinburgh Pleyhouse, 18-21 Greenside Place (031 557 2590) 7-30pm, 27-28, for two nights.

OPERA * SALOME: Peter Half's new production, with Maria Ewing in the tide role and Christos von Dohnanyi in the pit. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden; London WC2 (01-240 1066), 8-9.45pm,

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☆ CARMEN: Opera 80s shoestring production arrives at loswich with Kate McCarney in the title role and lvor Botton conducting. Com Exchange, Ipswich (0473 215544), 7.30-10.30pm, £5.50-£7.

DANCE

★ SWAN LAKE: Premier of Natalia Makarova's production for London Festival Ballet. Albambra, Morley Street, Bradford (0274 752000), 7.30-10pm, £???.

* MAUGERIC and other works by Myriam Herve-Gill for La P'tite Compagnie. The Place, Duke's Road, London WC1 (01-387 0031), 8-10pm, £5-£11.

★ ROMEO & JULIET: John Cranko's dramatic production revived for Scottish His Majesty's, Rosemount Vladuct, Aberdeen (0224 641122), 7.45-10.30pm,

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JOHN HUBBARD: Paintings, drawings and related works called Alhambra. Fischer Fine Art, 30 King Street, London SW1 (01-839 3942), Mon-Fri 10-5.30pm, Sat 10-12.30pm, free, until May

TOM COATES: Recent figurative paintings by the President of the Royal Society of British Artists.

New Grafton Gallery, 49 Church Road, London SW13 (01-748 8850), Tues-Sat 10-5.30pm, free, until April 30.

ROSIE LEVENTON: A large installation called Wake, incorporating a leaden boat on a sea of ashes. Chisenhale Gallery, 64-84 Chisenhale Road, London E3 (01-981 4518), Wed-Sat 12-6pm, free, until May 7.

AUSTRALIA OBSERVED: Paintings and drawings by Jamie Boyd and Denis Clarke and sculpture by John

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DREAMS: First day of an exhibition of designs and theatre material from 100 years of German and Stratford productions of A Midsummer Night'e Dream, mounted jointly by Ministry of Culture of the East German Democratic Republic and the Royal Studiespeare Company Collection.
The Civic Hell, Rother Street, Straticol-upon-Avon, Warwickshire. (trito 0789 296655). Today until April 23, Mon-Set 9.30am-7pm. Adult 21.50, child £1.

THE PAVLOVA FESTIVAL: Rere opportunity visit hy House, the prima ballerine's home from 1912-1931. Echibitions include Pavlova at home and in performance, photographs and memorabilis from the Anna Pavlova Memorial Exhibition and costumes from the Festival Ballet. Also lectures, clacussalons, films and masterclasses, by House, North End Road, London NW11 (01-202 1903). House, gardens and exhibitions today until April 16 at 9.30am, 12 noon, 2.30pm, 5pm and 7.30pm. Sonday April 17, 9.30am, 12 noon, 2.30pm. Admission to house, gardens and exhibitions 94. Masterclasses, films and lectures 22.50. SALF OF STLVER, JEWELLERY AND THE PAVLOVA FESTIVAL: Rate

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10.00 News and weather followed by The Filintstones. Cartoon (r).

10.25 Children's BBC. Simon Parkin with programme details and birthday greatings followed by Play School, presented by Miles Amatt with guest Jane Hardy (r), and Gram, narrated by Patricia Hayes (r).

10.55 Five to Eleven. Steven Pacey with a reading 11.00 News and weather followed by Open Air with Bob Wellings and Pattle Coldwell. Holocaust.

12.00 News and weather followed by Daytime Live. Magazine series presented by Alan Titchmarsh, Pamela Armstrong and Judi presented by Alart Incrimation,
Parmela Amistrong and Judi
Spiers. This edition includes
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Regional news and weather.
1.06 One O'Clock News with Martyn
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Lucy's demands force Ruth
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1.50 All Well and Good. This week's edition includes items on bellydancing for pregnant women and back-ache sufferers; cures for sea sickness; and coping with

a stammer. 2.20 Dr Kildare. The second of a two-part story and a young couple's confusion is compounded by a happy event (r).

6.56 Open University: Monetarism and Cost. Ends at 7.20.
9.00 Costax.

9.00 Ceefax.
1.20 King Rollo (r). 1.25 What's inside? (r). 1.25 Bugs Bunny carbon 1.45 King of the Rocket Men (b)w). Episode 11 (of 12) and the identity of Dr Vulcan is revealed.
2.00 News and weather followed by Writer's Houses. Margaret Drabble visits the isolated Yorkshire parsonage that was home to the three Bront® sisters (r).

programme in tribute to Britain'a national drink — tea. With contributions from tea-trolly

sisters (r). 2.20 Stirring Stuff. A 40 Minutes

ladies, the dancers and tadies
who served the life-giving brew
during the Blitz (r). (Caefax)
3.00 News and weather followed by
Wide World: Ascension Island.
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arrival with plants, trees, non-native animal species and,

eventually, electronic equipment to establish one of the world's

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programmes about life after death Ean Begg, a Jungian analyst

and psychotherapist, examines the Hindu scriptures which claim that to reach

lifetimes. Is it possible, asks

final matches in the Haywards
Pickles British Youth
championship, introduced by Tony
Glubba.
5.00 My Music, Lighthearted music

Norden, John Amis and Ian Wallace (r). 5.25 The Travel Show Guide, The first of a series six programmes

giving the facts behind travel brochures' glossy guides beginning with details of holidaying in Corfu (r).

quiz set and presented by Steve Race. With Frank Muir, Denis

Begg to discover past lives or prepare for those of the future?

4.25 Junior Darks. Three quarter-

centres (r).
3.50 News, regional news and

4.00 is There Something After Death?. In the fourth of six

3.10 The Pink Penther Show. Three cartoons (r). 3.25 Bellsmy's Seeside Safart. David Bellamy, a centimetre high, explores a beach's rock pool and learns

beach's rock pool and learns
to treat a crab with respect (r).

3.50 Chuckle Vision (r). 4.15 Jonny
Briggs. Episode four of the 13part serial (r). 4.30 Around the
World with Willy Fogg.

4.55 Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter
(Ceefax) 5.35 Neighbours (r).

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue
Lawley and Nicholas Witchel.
Weather. 6.35 London Plus.

7.90 Top of the Pops

7.30 EastEnders. Kathy falls out
with both her husbend and son.
(Ceefax)

(Ceefax) 8.00 Tomorrow's World includes a report by Judith Harm from Beijing on the challenge to develop word processors capable of reproducing the more than 10,000 Chinese characters. At books there is never of a new

home there is news of a new kind of sitage, a method of praventing the king-up of jet engines, and a fool-proof infra-red security device for cars Mastermind. The specialist subjects are: the American Civil Wiles Master ar, Vincent Van Gogh, Edgar an Poe, and South Africa 1910-

\$.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather. 9.30 Crimewatch UK with Nick Ross and Pattle Coldwell, includes a reconstruction of the savage murder on a non-corridor train of murder on a non-cornior train of 26-year-old Deborah Linsley Black and White. The fourth of five programmes on the realities of raciel discrimination in this country. This evening Tim and . Geoff test the waters at

various recreation centres. 10.40 Question Time. Sir Robin Day's guests are Baroness Warnock and MPs Paddy Ashdown, Kenneth Baker and Ann

Taylor. 11.40 Crimewatch Update. 11.50 Weather.

two-part space adventure starring Lome Greene. 6.50 Centoon Two. Harlem

6.00 Battlester Galactics --Galactica 1980. The second of a

Wednesday.
7.00 Cover to Cover. In this last of the present series Jill Neville talks to exile Russian writer Vadimir Volnovich about his satirical novel

Moscow 2042, and to Robin

Bearars, a selection of Robert
Louis Stevenson's essays.
7.30 Call My Bluff. A new series of
the withy word game presented by
Robert Robinson, This evening
Frank Mulir and Arthur Marshall

are joined by Jan Leerning, Jeffrey Archer, Moira Anderson and Ian Ogilvy.

2.00 Top Geer from the National

Motorcycle Museum, Sofficult, where William Woodard Irles to discover if motorcycling can be made safer without losing its thrills and Paul Blezard test drives

the Swiss Oekomobil, a machine capable of 160 mph with

Nature, presented by Michael Buerk, with reports or how the Friends of the Earth are trying to stop Lizard Meadow near

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be on his best behaviour when his rich and saintly Aunt

Conservancy Board. 9.00 Blackadder II. Edmund has to

non and sampy Ann
Whitsadder pays him a visit.
Starring Rowan Atkinson and
Miriam Margolyes (r).

9.30 40 Mirates: Who Needs a
Machine Gumner? (Ceefax) (see

Choice)
10.10 Have Footights -- Will Travel.
A documentary about the last three of the country's Yiddish actors (first shown in the London

area).
10,40 Newsnight 11,25 Weather.
11,30 Open University: Weekend Outlook 11,35 Mathematics Foundation Course. Ends at 12,05am.

ckburn, author of the first book on the overturow of American colonial slavery. There is also a discussion on The Lantern

BBC2

9.25 Thames news.
9.30 Lucky Ladders. Word game
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News headlines

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18.30 The Time. . . The
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11.30 My Marriage. Colin Morris
tails to Patrick Ainley, a white

man who teaches in a London comprehensive, and to his wife Beulah, a Jameican journalist. about their eight-year marriage 12.00 The Sullivana 12.30 Quandaries, Game show

1.00 News at One with Julia Somerville 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 Falcon Crest, Drama serial starting Jane Wyman as the matriarch of a California wine dynasty 2.25 Home Cookery Club. Monkfish Caserole.

All Our Yesterdays. Bemard Braden looks at the year 1963 when Sir Winston Churchill became an honorary United States citizen; his son Randolph began his father's biography that was not to be completed until a quarter of a century later; and the BBC started to screen TWS – much to politicians' consternation and sometimes embarrassment.

3.00 Take the High Road. Alice and
Grace are in deadlock over Donald

3.25 Thames news headines 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Portland Bill. Adventures of a Inchinouse keeper (n. 4.10 The Moomins (n. 4.20 The Scoty Show with Matthew Corbett (n. 4.45 Demis. Carbon series 4.50 Eraswas Microman takes Sen and Jame to meet Albert

5.15 Winner Takes Alt. Ouiz game show presented by Geoffrey Wheeler. 5.45 News with Alastair Stewart 6.00 Thames news. 6.25 Help with news of Telethon 88.

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6.30 Emmerdale Farm. Turner and Seth find themselves with a couple of jobs 7.00 in On the Act. Denis Norden

presents caps of 1960s variety shows featuring Al Read, the Dallas Boys, Vikki Carr, Terry-Thomas and Spike Miligari. The guest in the studio is Tom O'Connor.

7.30 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet. The second and concluding part of the comedy drama adventures of north-east English brickles working in West Germany (r).

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8.00 Busman's Holiday, Travel quiz

8.30 This Week: Russia's Bleeding
Wound, A report by Peter Gill,
coinciding with the signing of
the Afghan withdrawal agreement,
assessing the domestic impact
on the Soviet Union of the eight
year war Mr Gorbechov has
described as a "bleeding wound".

9.00 L. A. Law, Drama series 9.00 L. A. Law, Drama series

10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and Carol Barnes 10.30 Themes 10.35 The City Programme investigates why the cost of banks credit cards are almost three times higher than the base

11.05 01- for London includes Hazel O'Connor commenting on Death Wish 4 and Susannah York on The Unbearable Lightness of

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11.35 Prisoner Cell Block H.
12.30am A Problem Aired. Viewers' emotional problems discussed.
1.00 Tales from the Darkside. Two stories of the supernatural.

2.00 News headlines followed by
Film: Lipstick (1976) starring Anne
Bancroft, Margaux Hemingway
and Chris Sarandon, Drame about

a rape victim who exacts her revenge on her stracker. Directed by Lamont Johnson. News headlines followed by Too Close For Comfort. Cornedy. 4.30 America's Top Ten (r). 5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends 6.00.

CHANNEL 4

12.00 Just 4 Fire: Helping Henry. For children 12.15 Adventures in Letterland. The first of a new children's series. 12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Susannah Simons.

by Susannah Simons.

1.90 Sesame Street, Pre-school series. The guest is Danny DeVito.

2.90 The Parliament Programme presented by Glyn Mathias and Alestair Stewart. Reporters James Mates and Jackie Ashley review yesterday's debates in both Houses and look forward to those whether fordey.

those scheduled for today.

2.30 Channel 4 Racing from
Neumarket, Brough Scott introduces coverage of four races – the Remy Mertin XO Maiden Stakes (2.35); the Charles Heidsleck Champagne Craven Stakes (3.10); the

Craven Stakes (3.10); the Hemy Martin Cognec Handicap (3.40); and Ladbrokes' Boldboy Sprint Handicap (4.10).

4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's winner is challenged by Margaret Eliott from Richmond, Surrey.

5.00 Film: Shipyard Sally (1939, blw) starring Gracle Fields and Sydney Howard. Musical comedy about a Glasgow publican who goes to London to try and persuade the owner of a persuade the owner of a threatened shippard not to close down and put her customers out of work. Directed by Monty

6.30 The Sharp End reports on starting up your own business, focusing on a lady who began an ironing service in Tribury; and there is not enough modern factory space for new 7.00 Channel 4 News with Trevor

McDonald and Nicholas Owen. 7.50 Comment followed by

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Weather.
8.00 A Love Attair With Nature. In
this final programme of his series
Edwin Mullims examines how
art now defines our relationship
with nature (r).
8.30 Treasure Hant. Anneka Rice
speeds over the Staffordshire
countryside looking for hidden
treasure on the orders of the
shallo-bound contestants studio-bound contes Sandra Craig and Joan Simpson.



A happy ending for the Wades in The Agony and the Ecstasy (C4, 11.05pm)

9.30 Film on Four, Born of Fire (1987) starring Peter Firth, Suzen Crowley and Stefan Kelipha. A drama about Paul, a professional drama about Paul, a protest flautist, playing at London's Wigmore Hell, who finds his playing being taken over by sinster music from another sarster music from another dimension. A woman astronomer is drawn to the concert where she also hears the strange music. Afterwards they meet and Paul tells her of the strange circumstances of his flautist father's death when he went to Turkey to study breathing techniques under someone known as the Master Musician. The woman urges Paul to make the journey to Turkey. Directed by Jamil Dehlavi.

(Oracle) 11.05 The Agony and the Ecstasy. A documentary about the range of treatment available to tackle

infertility, a problem for which one in eight couples in this country seeks help (f).

12.30am Film: A Stave of Love (1976) starring Elena Solovei and Rodion Nakhapetov. A HODION NAKHAPETOV. A
Russian-made comedy drama, set in the Crimea in 1917, about a film unit running short of money, knowing little about the usurping by the Bolsheviks of their masters in Moscous Plicators. masters in Moscow. Directed by Nikita Mikhalov. With English subtitles. Ends at 2.15.

and Peter Donohoe, piano)

burnett, square plano; and Sonata in G minor, Op 34 No 2: Christopher Kite, square plano); Hummel

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and Juliet, Op 55: Moscow SO under Kitaenko

16.16 Schubert: Plano recital by Martin Roscoe of Adaglo in E (0612); Hungarian Melody in B minor (0 817); and Screen in 0, 0 861

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10.55 Nash Ensemble: Bax's
Nonet; Debussy's Soneta
for flute, vicia and harp; and

Schoenberg: BBC Philharmonic Orchestra

under Yuval Zaliouk, with

in G minor and Brainns's Piano Quartet in G minor

1.09 News
1.05 Piano Duets by Schumann and Brahms: Peter Note and Helen Krizos perform Schumann's Styles Peter Note and Helen Krizos perform Schumann's Styles Peter Note and Helen Krizos perform Schumann's Styles Peter Note and Pet

Waltzas, Op 39
2.15 Hercules: Three-act musical drama by Hendel with the Monteveror Choir, and Engish Baroque Soloists

English Baroque Soloists under John Blot Gardiner

Susan Salm, cello, perform M G Monn's Cello Concerto

impromptus: Bilder aus Osten, Op 66; and Brahms'a

1.50 Orchestrated by

Malipiero's Sonata a cinque, for flute, harp and strings (r)

8.20 News
8.25 Composers of the Week:
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Colin Talbot and his youngest daughter. The human face of long-term unemployment (40 Minutes: BBC2, 9.30pm)

Down and out in **Civvy Street**

 Colin Talbot is 42 and has been out of work since 1980. He lives with his wife and three children (with another child on the way) in a remote corner of rural Herefordshire, five miles from the nearest town. The main contact with the outside world is a onceweekly bus, milkman and baker. His council house has no telephone so it is a long trek to the nearest call box to follow up the job adverts in the local paper. Nick Gifford's film for 40 Minutes (BBC2, 9.30pm) puts a human face on something that is too often reduced to an abstraction, the problem of long-term unemployment. Colio Talbot enjoys the time he can spend with his family but he would rather be at work bringing the money in. He says he fieds it difficult sometimes to face his children and is conscious that his small daughter has never known her father to have a job. He was a machine gunner but gave up his army career because his wife could not stand service life. Had he

stayed for a few more years, he

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could have come out with a pension. But he decided to put family first and found himself in civvy street with no qualifications and joining mil-lions already on the dole. He is particularly depressed at being told by prospective employers that he is "too old". Some may question the wisdom of cootioning to add to the family with only £80 a week coming in, and judging by Mrs Talbot's remarks she is even now reluctant to concede that the fourth child she is expect-ing will be their last. On the other hand the Talbots reckon that the arrival of their daughter gave them a new focus and helped to save a marriage that was coming apart. The resilience of the family is striking and so is Colin Talbot's determination not to take no for an answer.

Peter Waymark

The heeded cry

Like many of us, Jean Vanier, ex-Naval officer, must have heard the chimes at midnight. But it was something else he heard, a "primal cry", that launched him on the humanitarian road most of us would not have dared even to set one foot on. He talks about that cry in Conversation Piece (Radio 4, 11.25am). It came from mentally handicapped patients in French institutions. "Do you love me? Will you he my friend!" Heeding the cry, he set up the first of his L'Arche communities, taking the patients out of asylums and psychiatric hospitals and setting up an approximation of a family unit in a French communities, throughout the world. There is something of St Vincent de Paul in the quiet certainty of his philosophy that the source of life is in the poorest person". And where, outside James Hilton's Shangri-la are there places such as Vanier's "oases of peace where we are all trying to love each other and cherish the weakest person"?

 Ingeniously plotted, Peter Gibbs's Arnold Smith Is Innocent (Radio 4, 3pm) charts the

Brixton (r)

Choice

10.00 News: The Natural History Programme; wildlife news presented by Jessica Holm and Lionel Kelleway

11.00 News; Travel; Citizens (s)
11.25 Conversation Place: Sue
MacGregor in conversation
with Jean Vanier, founder of

1.50 Smith and Son: Phil Smith presents the third of six revelations about being a ather for the first time

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12.00 News; You and Yours with
John Howard reports on the
increase of bogus invoices

12.25 Flying the Flag: Comedy by
Alex Shearer starring
Dinsdale Landea as the
ambassatur at one of ULA

Clough 1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping

premonitions, an interview

Bank and with Anama

Wills, director of a new theatre in Basildon; plus part eight of the serial Dangerous in Love 3.00 News; Amoud Smith is

with Marjorie Mowlam MP on her return from the West

Innocent: Peter Gibbs's play about a man who loses his job, his wite and his home — all on the same day. With Stave Hodson and Polly leather (st less Choice)

James (s) (see Choice)

2.00 News; Woman's Hour: includes a feature on

l'Arche Communities for the mentalty handicapped (see

10.45 An Act of Worship (6)



RADIO

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Steve Hodson plays a sacked borough architect (R4, 3pm) name-clearing campaign of a borough architect, played by Steve Hodson, sacked for gross negligence over a block of council flats and simultaneously jobless, wifeless, cash-less and homeless. It is a pity the play has to rely, for resolution, on the interven-tion of that cliché character, the investigative reporter.

Peter Davalle

COUNTRY LIFE

Landscape of Tomorrow

At his Eaton estate in Cheshire, the Duke of Westminster is setting the pace for progressive farming. This week Country Life describes the new landscape he is creating there - one that will continue to give pleasure as well as profit.

Also in this issue: ■ Day-and-night foxwatching. ■ Oriental jewellery in London. ■ Sensitive farming for the South Downs. ■ The future of eventing. ■ Balancing residents' and visitors' needs in Edinburgh Old Town. The best of the hardy annuals.

Plus the usual informed coverage on architecture, the theatre, fashion and motoring.

COUNTRY LIFE OUT TODAY

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Midnight 1.00am Patrick Lunt
presents Nightride 3.00-4.00 A
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American pianist and writer

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to the American planist and writer, Charles Rosen
7.30 Early and Late Lutyens:
BBC Singers under James
Wood, with Lown Stake,

and the Roots of the World, Op 136 (1979)

8.60 Matthew Arnold:
Christopher Ricks, professor of English at Boston University, examines the Victorian's work as a

Performance of Roberto Gerhard's Violin Concerto



John Golland's Lesser Thoms; and Gilbert Vinter's James Cook — Circumsavigator

7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear: Michael Hall talks cello, perform Motet: Excerpta tractatus logico-philosophici, Op 27 (1952); and The Roots of the World,

literary critic 8.20 Halle Orchestra:

and Bruckner's Symphony No 5 in 8 flat. Conductor is Stanislaw Skrowaczewsk with Erich Gruenberg, violit 10.15 Music in our Time: First broadcasts of Dominic Muldowney a and Michael Rosenzweig's Stationistics two works commissioned

and performed by the London Sinfonietta under Disgo Masson

11.00 Composers of the Week:
Tchalkovsky. Recordings of
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4.35 Kaleidoscope (r)
5.00 PM: presented by Robert Williams and Frances Coverdale 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather
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9.05 Punters: An opportunity for members of the public to make their own investigative radio programme. With Nigel Farrell and Susan

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9.45 Journey Round My People:
The last of five programmes
made by Jamaican-born
Ferdi Dennis visiting black
communities in Britain:
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7.05 The Archers
7.20 Any Answers?: An opportunity to raise some of the subjects tackled in last week's Any Questions?
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Anatomy of an Epidemic: In
the light of the World Health
Organisation a latest
estimate that three million
people will develop Aids
during the next five years,
Geoff Watts examines 8.15 current ideas about the tuture of the epidemic

9.00 Does He Take Sugar? A
magazine of special interes
to the disabled. Presented

by Kati Whitak 9.30 Phil Smith visits the BBC Sound Archives (r)
9.45 Kaleidoscope: includes reviews of Moscow 2042 by excled writer Vladimir

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11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.20 Today in Parliament
12.00 News, incl 12.20 Weather
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Dukakis admits he would hit first

From Charles Bremner

If the Soviet Union invaded Western Europe, President Michael Dukakis would be ready to launch a first nuclear strike, the Democratic presidential contender confided yesterday. The remark brought instant retaliation from Sen-ator Albert Gore, his selfappointed New York nemesis.

Mr Dukakis, reborn as the campaign front-runner, gave his unusually detailed response to the nuclear question in an interview with the Daily News. According to the paper, Mr Dukakis said be "could conceive of a scenario of using nuclear weapons — if the Soviets invaded Europe and conventional weapons failed to stop them".

"I don't think it's going to happen," he told the News.
"But we've got to be prepared to use nuclear force. Obviously with great restraint, only when there seems to be no other alternative.

Candidates usually steer clear of such hypothesizing. but the remark was typical of the Massachusetts governor, who likes to talk straight and has a habit of making foreignpolicy gaffes.

Mr Gore, the underdog candidate who has staked his all on goading Mr Dukakis

Cool reasoning...

and carving out a chunk of the Jewish vote, said that the governor had fallen into "the trap of spelling ont in advance when the United States of America would use the awesome power contained in our nuclear arsenal. Governor Dukakis made a significant mistake. That's unwise and irresponsible."

Mr Dukakis, a strong arms control enthusiast, also said he would use military force if communist forces crossed the West German border or the 38th parallel in Korea.

The nuclear flurry served one useful purpose - turning the New York campaign from the Middle East, the issue that has dominated it for 10 days. The state votes on Tuesday for 275 delegates, the highest count after California, which has its primary in June.

Mr Dukakis, who is estimated to lead in New York with more than 40 per cent of the vote against about 32 per cent for the Rev Jesse Jackson, has been thrown on to the defensive on Israel and other foreign issues.

In a city where the Democratic contenders traditionally pander to the heavy Jewish vote, he gave a less than to Jewish leaders and faltered on details.

The technocrat-governor gave a run-down of his foreign plans in a full-page interview in The New York Times yesterday, but skirted the nuclear issue.

Mr Jackson, who is survey-ing the Gore-Dukakis baiting game with statesmanlike detachment, stayed out of yesterday's round of the underdog-fight.

Electric Lightning flies into history



A formation of F6 Lightnings flying over the cannibalized shells of counterparts at RAF Binbrook yesterday after it was announced that the aicraft would end service as a frontline defence fighter on April 30. The first English Electric Lightning was delivered to the RAF in 1959(Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Continued from page 1 might complicate and compromise my government's

efforts."

According to informed sources here, the Algerian authorities are determined not to rush matters. They are acutely aware that the eyes of the world are now focused on Hourari Boumedien airport. They are said to be utterly determined to prevent any further bloodshed, and there is said to be no question whatsoever of an attempt to take the jet by force.

The Algerians are extremely

BIA BAC:1-11 from

Venice touches down on taxiway

ation as skilful and trustity of life around the hijacked worthy negotiators in the jet. The military presence, such as it is, is limited to a handful of armoured cars tense and uncertain conditions that now confront

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Runway 08 left illuminated with landing lights

As for the passengers aboard the jet, their ordeal continues. away. It is impossible to say how the ssengers' morale is holding on the balconies: even the up. The sun is beating down, small army of police were the souls of politeness, if not the nights are bitterly cold, the terrible uncertainty remains.

As at Lamaca, the most striking aspect of events proud of their growing reput- yesteday was the utter normal-

BA 737 flight 8764

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hijackers' negotiations with PLO officials and Algerian government representatives in Larnaca, the indications here are that nothing firm is actually on the table yet. The parked a respectable distance Algerian Foreign Minister's There were no armed troops cautious assessment tends to on the tarmac, no marksmen

Hijack deadlock raises doubts

The word here is that Mr al-Usaimi's delegation has firmly In spite of rumours of a underlined Kuwait's refusal to basic understanding having contemplate anything that could be interpreted as a been reached during the

diplomatie sources.

confirm this, as do local

climbdown. Reports that the Kuwaiti authorities might be considering lifting the death sentences now hanging over several of their prisoners are certainly being discounted

Both the British and US governments, and the International Air Transport Association, were unhappy with the Cypriot Govern-ment's decision to allow the hijacked plane to leave Larnaca for Algeria (Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Corres-

Gatwick near-miss baffles authorities

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about 100 yards short of where the Rhodes flight had been. Captain Freddie Yetman, technical director of the British Air Line Pilots Association, said last night It is frankly incomprehensible. The emergency runway is perfectly acceptable and has all the proper equipment, Every pilot knows that it is out of action at night while it is being resurfaced. What hap-pened was a total aberration." Group Captain John Trit-

ton, of the Guild of Air Pilots and Navigators, said: "It is the pilot's job to make sure the He said: "It is true that there

to land on the emergency Other pilots suggested that

the glare from the terminal, the closure of the main runway and the need to "aim left" could have confused the British Island air crew.

A Civil Aviation Authority

spokesman said: "The BIA aircraft had been cleared to land on the emergency runway but the pilot landed on the adjoining taxiway. All the circumstances must be looked into to see why this occurred and what needs to be done to make sure it doesn't happen

Since last month, every pilot landing at Gatwick has known that the main runway, with its sophisticated instrument landing system and full landing lights, was out of action and that the alternative runway was in use.

This has a series of approach lights, including two high-powered flashing strobe Europe's busiest airports has green lights running across it only one runway and that to indicate the threshold, a when it is closed aircraft have series of white lights at its edge to indicate the threshold, a to land on the emergency runway. Obviously, we would like to see a second runway built. But it still does not black bitumen and is 46 in black bitumen and is 46 metres wide. The taxiway is surfaced in light-coloured concrete.

> There is a row of bright green lights down the centre of the taxiway to guide taxiing aircraft.

A clear, frosty start in many regions. The southCommons sketch

Chained MP cries forth for freedom

vative Member for Mid-Worcestershire. A lean, aggressive man, he is particularly attracted to those causes which carry with them the promise of personal unpopularity of the darkest bue. Such causes he defends with the words "freedom of choice", an expression which seems to cover everything anyone has ever feit inclined

to get up to. It seems possible that Mr Forth would even defend the seizure and cooking of kiddies' puppies on the grounds that it extends the freedom of choice of gourmets, the freedom of choice of parents to exert influence over their children's pets and the freedom of choice of the puppy to be served up as a mouthwatering fricassee.

And while the Opposition yelled and hissed, and his fellow Conservatives shifted uneasily in their seats, Mr Forth would grin wildly, baring his carniverous teeth in the manner of the most terrifying pantomime villain.

He is not only the man you love to hate; be is also the man who loves you to hate him. He most often sits somewhere near the centre of the Conservative benches, his legs apart, his arms drooping in between, rather in the manner of one of the more primitive members of the Fliatstone family. He has close-cropped wiry black hair which juts into his forehead giving his face the appearance of Count Dracula. He carries three gold rings on his fingers - possibly four, though the last one might just be an excessively polished knuckle—and the gold motif is carried on to the chains which hump and sag across his waistcoat. Confronted by Mr Forth, the most blood-thirsty alsatian would throw itself to the floor and beg for

· For these reasons, it came as no surprise when Mr Forthtook it upon himself to rant against a motion proposed by Ms Clare Short seeking to make illegal "the display of pictures of naked or partially naked women in sexually provocative poses in news-papers". Ms Short had cogently argued her case.

When she cited cases clearly detailing the encouragement such pornog-raphy had given to rapists and child abusers, even the heartiest, most gung-ho Toswkward, emitting an uncharacteristic silence.

But not so Mr Forth. "Ar intolerant measure", Forth frothed, "typical of the authoritarianism of the modem Labour Party". He pointed his finger at the Labour benches time and time again, his chains clanging, the fury of his language tempered only by the transparent gice he always takes to becoming the centre of atten-tion. "What this is really about", he pointed away, "and why it upsets the members opposite, is freedom of

He spoke of the charce of young ladies who choose to exploit their assets" before leaping head first on to far dodgier ground, becoming a cross between Mad Max and Sir Harold Actor by screaming about "the honourable place of the nude in the history of art and sculpture at the top of his voice.

"Name one painting!" screamed Mr Brian Sedge more, himself a poet of extremely mean repute.

"The Kiss by Rodin" re-turned Mr Forth, naming a sculpture, "is generally accepted as a great work of arr" He then cited Titian and Rubens, though he failed to mention the exact date on which he had seen their bubbly, scorening works spread over the pages of the popular press. What indeed is a sexually

provocative pose?" Forth boomed forth. "Maybe the Honourable Lady can identify a sexually provocative pose when she sees ene-but...". Under the roar from Members opposite, his message seemed to be that both he and the vast majority of ordinary, decent people could not.

With a flurry of grossly irresponsibles and flies in the faces. Mr Eric Forth returned to his seat, a torrent of triumph seething through his teeth. A vote was taken. As Mr Forth and his seconder. Mr Jerry Hayes, stood to-gether awaiting the verdict against them, political com-mentators tried to understand why it should be that the two worst-dressed men in the House should be the most vociferous advocates of perpographic pictures. Perhaps the connection is not so very hard to make,

Craig Brown

Food trolleys hid arms

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fortunate man - and this is because I believe in God." According to another freed bostage, all but one of those released at Larnaca were Shia Muslims, which is believed to the sect to which all seven hijackers belong. The gunmen only discovered the religious denomination of the twelfth

"He had reached the doorway and one of the men with a hood on suddenly realized that the passenger had a cross tattooed behind his wrist," another freed hostage said.

man when be was leaving the

We could not see the reaction of the hooded man. He sud-denly asked, What is your religion? The man replied 'I am a Christian Copt'. I guess the hijacker could not do anything then."

That the weapons were put

on board the aircraft in airline food containers did not surprise one security officer for a major Western airline, who was specially posted to Larnaca to observe the hijack. "In Third World countries. junior airline staff and baseage handlers are paid very low wages and it is easy for someone to bribe poor people," he said.

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ACROSS

1 Start on course without refreshment, we hear (3,3). 4 Withdrew action when settlement admitted (8).

10 A tour we arranged to last longer

- 11 Huntsman twice repeating gospel (7). 12 Common law man in the flying
- squad? (10). 13 Extremely light (4). 15 Secure employment broadcasting organisation (7).
- 17 Time to make melody, taking off the record (7).

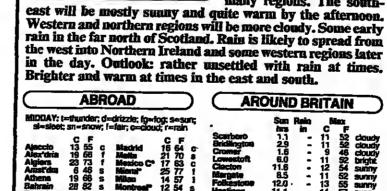
 19 Noticed ambassador with bottle opener inside drinking establish-
- ment (7). 21 Dickensian needing no notes
- after thus accepting credit (7).

 23 Highly placed idols of the theatre (4). 24 I am going before top part of the building is let (10).
- 27 Kind of music absorbing pussy's companion is fitting for boat trip (7).
- 28 Send out carpet with reverse backing included (7).
- 29 Productive activity needing plant and flower experiment (8). 30 He runs daily (6).

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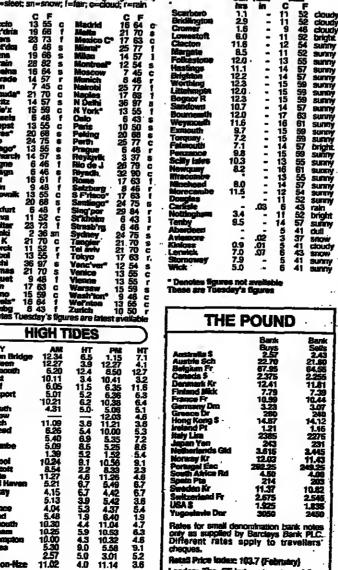
- Music makers produce sombre tone, mostly inharmonious (9). 2 Put in charge of part of field event, rustic style (7). His takings are illicit in the main
- 5 Puts ginger in spirits to blend some cocktail! (9).
 6 Competent student in Lincoln
- 7 Ceremonial display, one that is uplifting in Italy (7). 8 Fine macaroni (5).
- 9 To move briskly when climbing is wrong (4). 14 Just like Bill Brewer and companions (4-6).
- Chief manufacturer in Warwick, perhaps (9).

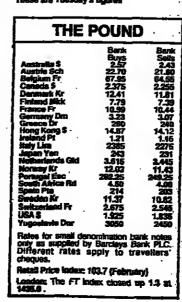
 18 Large stand needed for gathering of stars (5,4).
- 20 Provided with means to wind up incurred debts (7). 22 Bill enters Open to play without restraint (7).
- Maxim for a writer (5). 25 Nobleman in real trouble (4). Vessel in support of airman seen in ditch (4).

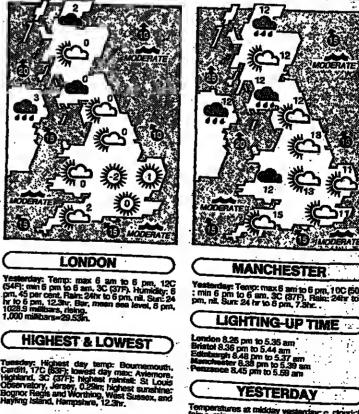


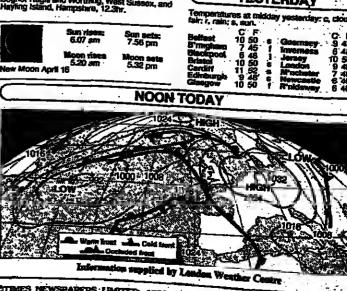
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WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

POSADA a. A fiancée b. A hotel

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L An ertist

c. Mind Your Step

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Supermarket group denies talk of rights issue

Executive Editor David Brewerton

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Exchange support for dollar

By Rodney Lord Attention switched back from sterling to the dollar io foreign exchange markets yesterday. Optimism about today's US trade figures supported the American currency, and de-

spite weakening in later trad-ing it closed in Loodon up 0.27 piennigs against the mark at DM1.69. Dealers are hoping for a smaller trade deficit than the \$12.4 billion (£6.72 billion) recorded for Jaouary. But the higher than expected rise in retail sales of 0.8 per cent in March, announced yesterday,

The pound closed down 0.85 cents at \$1.8430 and 0.79 premies at DM3.1155.

cooled enthusiasm for the

Matthews cut

Mr Bernard Matthews, chairman of the tinkey and red meat producer company, had his salary cut by £44,395 last year. Mr Matthews received £263,829, compared with £308,224 in the previous term £308,224 in the previous year. He is paid on a formula geared to profits, which were lower at

Bentalls rises

Bentalls, which is planning a £130 million redevelopment of its store in Kingston upon. Thames in conjunction with Norwich Union, yesterday re-ported a profit before tax of £4.8 million for last year, up: 26 per cent. Earnings a share rose 28 per cent to 7.12p.

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RISES:	622%p (+146p)
RHM	330p (+14p) 228p (+24p)
United Riscults .	266p (+10p) us . 214½p (+10p)
FAI	387%p (+25p) 191p (+11p)
Bassett Foods -	215½p (+10p) 485p (+10p)
Cadburys	275%p (+11p) 965p (+15p)

392%p (-191p) --- 519%p (-13p) --- 502%p (-10p) ---- 400p (-10p) Brown Shipley Closing prices

INTEREST RATES London: Bank Base: 8% 3-month Interbank 8X-8³16% 3-month eligible bills:7²⁷22-7²³22% buying rate US: Prime Rate 8%%

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Suchard raid on Rowntree

Swiss spend £160m in lifting stake to 14.9%

Rowntree, the Kit Kat the stake meets our strategic and Aero confectionery group, was faced with the threat of a full-scale takeover bid last night after Jacobs Suchard, the Swiss chocolate group, launched a "dawn raid" aimed at acquiring 25 per

cent of the company. Suchard took its stake to 14.9 per cent in a 60-minute buying spree costing more than £160 millioo and said it intended to return as soon as possible to increase the holding to 25 per cent. But it said it had no intention of launching a full bid unless a rival appeared first,

The Swiss group, best known for its Toblerone choc-olate, acquired its stake at prices up to 630p — the maximum price level it has set on further purchases...

Rowntree shares soured from an overnight 477p to close at 626p, a gain of 149p, valuing the business at more than £1.3 billion.

The pre-emptive strike by Suchard was immediately condemned by Rowntree, which described the action as "unwelcome" and said the price was "wholly inadequate" for a company with its raoge of ioternationally-

"We regard this move by Suchard as very unwelcome and very hostile and we would certainly fight a full-scale bid," said Mr Nicholas Nightingale, a Rowntree director.

Suchard, capitalized at £1.6 billion, had discreetly built up a 2.7 per ceot holding in Rowntree last month before advising salesmen at-Warburg Securities to launch yes terday's dawn raid.

... A spokesman for the company said: "The acquisition of the world

Mr Anthony Salz, the partner in Freshfields the solicitors

and member of the Guioness

"war cabinet" during the bid

for Distillers, has voluntarily

given a statement to the Fraud

squad officers investigating

Mr Salz is believed to have

told the Fraud Squad about a

letter he drafted io coonectioo

with the purchase of 10.6

million Distillers shares the

day before Guinness woo

group. The shares were pur-

chased by a Swiss company

which assented them to the

The Takeover Panel is also

believed to have assisted the

police enquiries into the share

purchase. However, a spokes-

man for the Panel declined to

Last week Mr David

A year of rationalizations:

which iovolved an £11.3 mil-

lioo extraordinary provision

and a higher-than-expected tax charge, left APV, the food

and beverage processing equipment manufacturer, with

flat net earnings in the year

The group, which merged with Baker Perkins in March

1987 and later took over

Pasilac, the Danish dairy

equipment group, managed a 69 per cent rise in turnover to

£704 million and a 48 per cent

pretax profit advance to £40.7

But, at the net level, earn-

comment yesterday.

control of the Scottish drinks

the Goinness affair.

Guinness bid.

objectives in that Rowntree is a company with great poten-tial based oo its excellent years of investment to develop global brands. and are a resource which can be exploited in international

"This is not a prelude to a full bid and there is no intention of increasing the holding beyond the 25 per cent figure for at least a year, although we reserve the right to do so if there is a full bid from a third party in the

Under Takeover Panel go back into the market in a

Sweeter side of history

1881: Rowntree's Fruit Pastilles

1890: John Mackintosh created his "Mackintosh's Tolfee." 1893: Rowmtree's Fruit Gums 1936: Mackintosh launches Quality

9: Mackintosh buys Fox's Gla-

week's time to top up its

Io a hard-hitting response, Mr Kenneth Dixon, the Rowntree chairman, said the board believed the price paid for the shares was "wholly inadequate for the obtaining of a major stake in the group." He said: "Rowntree, the

largest confectionery business in the LIK, has one of the best portfolios of brand names of any confectionery company to

Solicitor tells police about

drafting of Guinness letter

By Lawrence Lever

Mayhew, a partner io Cazenove & Co, was charged

with three offences io relation

Mr Salz is not expected to

face charges and there is no.

suggestion that he or his firm,

Freshfields, has done anything

improper. He was abroad on

holiday yesterday and un-available for comment.

Mr Salz has told the Fraud

Squad officers about the letter

which was sent to the Take-

over Panel on the date of the

Distillers share purchase. The

etter assured the Panel that

there were no financial

arraogements between

Guioness and the purchaser in

The letter was requested by

the Paoel and drafted by Mr

Salz, who was almost certainly

£3m King's Cross escalators contract

10.3p compared with 10.5p and yesterday's stock market

reaction was a 12p fall in the

APV is, however, raising the

year's total dividend from 3.8p to 4.2p a share and Sir

Ronald McIntosh, the chair-

man, said that the outlook was

APV gives no profit break-

down for its individual di-

visions, but admitted that it

had lowered its March 1987 bid price for Baker Perkins by

respect to the shares.

APV net earnings fall

share price to 108p.

to the purchase.

"Brand names of the strength of Kit Kat, Smarties and After Eight have taken

This is a strategy which Rowntree is successfully following, particularly in con-tinental Europe where profits in 1987 were double those of 1986. As a result of prudent financial policies Rowntree has the flexibility to continue the aggressive pursuit of this policy and to reap the rewards which follow when sales in regional markets rise to the level where economies of scale can be achieved."

Mr Dixon added: "Jacobs may need Rowntree but Rowntree does not need

Suchard has recently embarked on an aggressive expansion policy, acquiringeonfectionery companies io Europe and America. Worldwide. Suchard has about 7 per cent of the total market, slightly more than Rowntree, but below the market leader, Mars, with an estimated 13 per cent. In Britain, however, Suchard has a very small share of the market.

Rowntree has just reported pretax profits up 33 per cent at £112 million and estimates are for a total £132 million this year and £145 million next.

Mr John Mozley, a food manufacturing analyst at Bar-elays de Zoele Wedd, said the price Suchard paid for its stake worked out at 14 times earnings, which was not high for a company with Rown-tree's brands. He thought Suchard would have to offer between 750p and 800p, or 17-18 times earnings, to succeed with a full takeover bid.

not informed of the full facts.

It was signed by Mr Olivier Roux, the former Guinness

finance director, on behalf of

Last September, the Panel

fact been acting in concer

with the purchaser. In a High

Court challenge to this ruling

at the beginning of this year the letter was labelled "misleading".

A draft of the letter was read

out in court, on which Mr Salz

had noted that it had been

read and approved by a num-

ber of people involved in the

Three executives at Mer-cury Asset Management, the

vendors of the shares, are

believed to have given evi-

dence to DTI inspectors in-

viously ambitious profit fore-

casts in the market were not

The company turned in a

loss rather than an expected

profit, though Baker Perkins

had traded in profit since

falling under the APV umbrella.

Sir Ronald added that APV

drawing on its experience in

mechancial handling equip-ment for breweries, had re-

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heavy duty escalators, costing

£1 million each, to replace

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the company.

Distillers bid.

Confident: Ian MacLaurin, the Tesco chairman, yesterday (Photograph: James Morgan)

G10 ministers to review world monetary system From Bailey Morris, Washington

European ministers will attempt to launch a comprehensive review of the international monetary system at a meeting today of the Group of 10 industrialized nations, of-

The ministers are expected to propose that the G10 nations launch a new study of the system before the anoual ings of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund in September.

The decision to press for broader exchange rate re-forms, similar to those pro-Balladur, the French Finance Minister, was disclosed as ministers of the seven main currency nations met to discuss the success of their coordinated approach to economic policies adopted ruled that Guinness had in

Ministers of the Group of Seven nations are expected to reaffirm the December policies and to adopt an index of leading commodities, to aid

decisions on exchange and inflation rates. But it was unclear whether gold would be included in the index. Both European ministers

and US officials said that they would combine to put concerted pressure on the newly-industrialized Asian nations 10 revalue their currencies and open their markets to reduce their growing surpluses with

Mr Onno Ruding, the Netherlands Finance Minister

Leaner times.

who chairs the IMF's interim committee, said vesterday that there was no support at these meetings for new schemes on debt or exchange rates. He added that there was no

support either for the lauoching of a general international conference oo monetary reform. The US Administration has not indicated any support for a new review or fine

On the debt issue, the ministers said that they would concentrate on middle income countries which continue to experience weak growth and high interest payments despite the adoption of stringent austerity programmes.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, also planned to renew his appeal for interest rate relief for the poorest nations in sub-Saharan Africa.

The lack of urgency over debt and exchange rate policies indicates that ministers are interested in proposing only minor changes to curren policies.

Mr Barber Conable, the president of the World Bank. said that the new agency launched at these meetings the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (Miga) would study the Japanese proposal to insure commercial bank loans to developing countries, with the aim of channelling more finance to

Profits climb 31% at Tesco

By Carol Ferguson

Tesco, the supermarket chain, has denied market rumours that it was planning a rights issue after revealing prelimi-nary results at the higher end of analysts' forecasts.

Pretax profits were up 31 r cent. at £230 million, and Mr lan MacLaurin, the chairman of Tesco, said that fresh food, especially fruit and vegctables and meat, had done outstandingly well. "There is no rights issue, and we have our fonding io place," he said.

Fully diluted earnings per share rose 20 per cent to 9.66p, excluding property profits, and a dividend of 2.85p net was declared. The directors

City Diary..

are proposing to allow shareholders to take their dividends in shares rather than cash. The total dividend cost is £42 million.

Sales for the 52 weeks to February 27 rose to £4.1 million, a 16.8 per cent increase on last year after adjusting for last year's 53rd week. Price inflation was 3 per cent, leaving a volume gain of 14 per cent: 4 per cent from existing stores and 10 per cent from new stores, iocluding Hillards, the grocery chain acquired last May. The profit contribution

from Hillards for the 41 weeks since acquisition was £13 million. Had Hillards been included for the full year, it would have contributed £16 million, equivalent to 7 per cent like-for-like growth. This is better than Hillards' own profit forecast of £15 million, made when it was defending itself against Tesco's advances.

Mr MacLaurin said Tesco had faunched 850 new ownlabel products last year, and that the range would be further extended this year by 700 or 800 new lines. A series of "composite"

warehouses, he added, will come on stream, at the end of this year and the beginning of next, supplying frozen, chilled and ambient goods. This will enable a single lorry to deliver the full range of fresh foods. offering 24-hour replenishment, while cutting down the on number of deliveries and reducing the number of halfloads. Tesco estimates the cost saving to be £10 million (0.25 per cent of sales).

Tesco's net margins rose from 5 per cent to 5.9 per cent. "It is difficult to know where the limit on margins is, or even if there will be one." Mr MacLaurin said.

McMahon attacks

Sir Kit McMahon, chairman of Midland Bank, yesterday criticized British and US tax banks bigger tax concession oo bad debt provision.

This had greatly cootrib-uted to the need for last year's £3.5 billion in extra provisions by British banks.

big increase io provisions. The

Sir Kit told the Lombard Association of international bankers that Cootinental banks had already made provisions of 50 per cent or more because they had been given full and immediate tax relief on the provisions each year.

tax regime

By Richard Thomson **Banking Correspondent**

authorities for not giving

This the first time a senior British baoker has publicly blamed the tax system for the

banks are negotiating with the Inland Revenue over how much relief they will be given

Had British and US authorities offered the same incentives, their banks would

Cross underground fire. This breakthrough could open up probably have been better

Who knows all the golfers in Sweden?

By Martin Waller

ings a share turned out at £30 million because pre-

There are 148,000 golfers in Sweden. If you did not know that, take comfort. Neither did Mr Tylan Bahcheli until Iwo days ago, when his company was asked to draw up a list of them for a

If pressed, he will also give you the names and addresses of all the dentists in Israel - another recent commission.

His London group, Dudley Jenkins, acts as a broker, supplying lists to advertisers in Britain and abroad for direct mail shots. Lists are rented mainly from third parties such as traders or publishers, with Mr Bahcheli's company acting as middleman and taking a

Now he is bringing Dudley Jenkins to the USM by means of a placing of 20.21 per cent of the equity through stock-brokers Henry Cooke, Lumsden.

At the placing price of 85p, the company is valued at £3.7 million. Forecast profits for the current financial year to end-April of at least £400,000 would give a prospective price/earnings multiple of 13.1, after an estimated tax charge of 39.25 per cent.

Mr Bahcheli points out that direct mail is the third largest advertising market, after television and the national papers, io the country. "Literally anything can be sold through direct mail these days. Even

Sotheby's sells fine art," he said. Mr Bahcheli, who was born in Cyprus founded the company in 1971. He had previously worked for a direct mailing house and quickly realized the primitive

nature, as it was then, of the industry in

State and the same

this country. He struck out on his own. building up over two years lists to order

At that time, the potential for targeting various groups of consumers more closely became apparent - "segmentation," in the industry jargon - and demand from advertisers grew, Dudley Jenkins moved further into

the broking business, trading lists of specialized groups of consumers. Proceeds of the flotation will be used

to expand into other areas of marketing, while winning a bigger share of the group's existing market. Mr Bahcheli will not be eschewing the techniques of the direct mail industry in floating his company. All clients, both

actual and prospective, can expect a copy

of the prospectus soon - to join the mail

shots already waiting on their doormats.

THE DISCERNING PERSON'S GUIDE TO LONDON

THE COBBLER [Where do the well heeled get well shod? One doesn't have to tread far to find

> boot and shoemakers, Foster & Son, 83 Jermyn Street SWI (a few hundred pnces from Piccadilly at a stretch). The fine tradition built up during almost 150 years of crafting made-to-measure shoes, is still continued by the Founder's great-grandson.

the family firm of bespoke hunting

There are very few places left on the map where their shoes have not trod. Although the oldest shoemaker in town, they keep quiet about it in an English sort of way. No less made-to-measure is Le Meridien Hotel in Piccadilly. Fittingly comfortable, elegant, devoted to the details of service.

It'll suit you down to the ground. But hush. Not a squeak to a sole.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Hornby profits treble to £1.83m before tax

A swing back to traditional toys helped Hornby to treble pretax profits to £1.83 million in 1987 with its model train sets and Scalextric slot-car racing both doing especially well during the important Christmas period

Turnover grew by 41 per cent to £20.1 million. The company, which joined the USM in December 1986, says orders during the first quarter of this year were ahead of 1987. Farnings per share grew from 10.4p to 13.8p. Hornby, which pays a single annual dividend because of the seasonal nature of its business, is making a final payment of 4p.

Figures leap at Juliana's

Pretax profits at Juliana's Higher interest costs pashed Holdings, the discothèque pretax profits at SPP, the operator, rose 88 per cent is the year to the end of December to £1.43 million on turnover 13 per cent higher at £9.45 million. The company is looking for acquisitions to complement the core businesses. Earnings per share were up 84 per cent to 5.2p and the total dividend rises to 2.85p from 2.5p.

Profits at SPP drop to £2m

pump manufacturer and dis-tributor, from £2.8 million to £2 million in the year to end-22 million in the year to end-December. SPP says gearing would have been much lower (about 34 per cent) if its Reading site had been sold before year-end. A final divi-dend of 3.5p, maintaining the overall payout at 5.25p, will be paid.

Tudor up to £486,000

Tudor, the former United Ceramic Distributors, boosted pretax profits by 47 per cent in 1987, to £486,000 from £330,000, after a year of buoyant conditions in both the building industry and the retail market. Shareholders of the USM-quoted distributor of wall and floor tiles and manufacturer of crystal glassware will receive a final dividend of 3.5 increasing the receive the state of the conditions and the conditions of th of 3.5p, increasing the year's total by 1p to 5p.

Mr Philip Battin, the chairman, said the first quarter of 1988 had continued to match the sales growth experienced last year, and the group was set for another record year. But the falling dollar did have an adverse effect on the Tudor Crystal glassware side last year, he added.

Staley's offer Remy raises reaction soon

The directors of Staley Continental, the second largest corn refiner in the US, will announce their reaction to the \$32-a-share bid from Tate & Lyle on or before next Thursday. The board is still reviewing the \$1.3 billion (£709 million) offer and urges its shareholders to nostnone their decisions until the board makes a

liqueur bid

Remy Martin et Cie, the French cognac house, has raised its offer for the entire capital of Be the liqueur maker, to F17,000 (£661.54) per share. Remy's latest offer tops its previous bid of Ff6,200 per share for 60 per cent of the capital, and the offer by Martini e Rossi. the Italian drinks group, at Ff6,550 francs for the entire

Evered buys quarries

Evered Holdings, the building products to engineering group, is adding to its United States quarrying interests with the \$8.25 million (£4.47 million) purchase of Mid-State Construction and Materials of Little Rock, Arkansas, Last year Mid-State, on sales of \$10.8 million, notched up pretax profits of \$1.1 million. The assets being bought had a book value at end-December of \$5.3 million, including cash of

Mid-State operates from seven locations in Arkansas, which comprise five stone quarries and four asphalt plants. Evered already owns Rockville Crushed Stone on the east coast of the US, acquired with the London and Northern

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Tesco stocks up for capital growth

TESCO SHARE PRICE

Tesco's ambitious expansion programme is coming through the checkout in a very satisfactory fashion. Sales, excluding inflation, rose 14 per cent, 10 per cent of which was attributable to new stores, including 7 per cent from recently acquired Hillards. The other 4 per cent was due to increased turnover in exist-

But capital-hungry projects need to be financed, giving rise to speculation, hastily denied by Tesco, that a rights issue could be in the offing.

This year, capital projects will gobble up £450 million, £50 million more than last year. About £330 million of this wilt go towards 16 new stores. The balance will fund further computerization of op-erations, the introduction of Epos (electronic point of sale) n 30 more stores, and the new composite" warehouses.

To fund its cash needs, Tesco has borrowed, or arranged facilities for, £462 million in the past 12 months, including a £112 million convertible Eurobond. By the end of next year gearing will have risen to 40 per cent, compared with 29 per cent now.

In 1989 and beyond, however, Tesco expects to see its capital requirements fall to the evel required for new stores. By then, it may also be thinking more seriously about on the net earnings front in has yet to be published, so the

diversification, primarily into non-food retailing to Britain, or food retailing to the US, although presumably, any acquisitions could be paid for

Meanwhile, yesterday's de-cision to allow shareholders to opt for payment of their dividend in shares rather than cash could save up to £42 million in cash flows. Every little bit helps.

Even if gearing is rising, the other financial ratios look good. Return on capital has risen to a little under 25 per cent, while the net margin is 5.9 per cent. However, it will be hard to push up net mar-gins further as interest costs rise, offset by the superstores which have 10 per cent more turnover per square foot and a bigger proportion of fresh

Nevertheless, pretax profits should rise to £275 million this year. The prospective multiple is 13.8, and the shares have long-term attractions.

APV, which made more than customers sit up and take note when deciding to polish up its image by using (respectable) nudes in an advertising cam-paign, now finds itself naked

1985 1984

reporting results for the year

180 Pretax profit

ended December. After a year, during which it took over Baker Perkins and Pasilac comparisons look good at every level, save one. Turnover was 69 per cent higher at £704 million, pretax profits rose from £27.5 million to £40.7 million and the return on capital advanced from 25.9 to 32.1 per cent.

The year's dividend is II per cent higher, but net earnings turn out at 10.3p a share, compared with 10.5p pre-viously, after adjustment for the five way share split.

The balance sheet, which will undoubtedly show some hefty provisions associated with a year of rationalization,

nervous market reaction was 10 send the shares down from 120p to 108p.

1987

1986

However, those prepared to take a 12 to 24 mooths' view could usefully find yesterday's price setback a suitable buying opportunity.

The order book is good, the: termination this year is that not only will pretax profits rise again but that there will be a follow-through to the net earnings a share level and the group is now much better balanced than previously. APV has streamlined itself

from a group with 200 subsidiaries into one with nine principal operating divisions.

Balance sheet gearing, at 70 per cent. looks high compared with a 1986 gearing level of before RMC has to tighten its about £180 million.

17.6 per cent and only 7.3 per cent in 1985. But interest cover is high and the pace of organie growth this year, helped by asset disposals, should see gearing down to the 50 per cent level before long.

Improved operating eff-iciencies should flow from the reduced number of factory sites - 57 in mid-1987, down to 39 by January and expected to fall to 33 by mid-1988 and new markets are being won across the world.

Profits could hit the £50 million mark this year and net earnings show a rise to 11.5p a share. The rating is 9.8 times.

RMC Group

RMC Group has come a long way since it went public in 1962 when sales were £9 million, pretax profits were £0.7 million and net assets employed £4 million.

And 26 years later it has not yet run out of steam. The strength of the domestic building market clearly helped profits last year, but even in West Germany, where demand was far from buoyant, profits moved ahead strongly. This says much for the

group's ability to shape its overhead structure according to local conditions.

But it may be some time

belt at home, given the un-precedented strength of the market in the first quarter. Volumes should remain firm and are being followed with useful price increases. In West Germany, however, the out-look is unlikely to improve much, while the US remains competitive.

Even though this year's US profits will be helped by the inclusion of the Lone Star businesses acquired at the year-end, RMC will otherwise have

to rely on operational efficiencies to move profits ahead. Britain remains RMC's most important market, accounting for 55 per cent of

operating profits. Longer-term there is scope to increase the penetration of ready-mixed in the construction industry. In the US, 72 per cent of cement is used in

the ready-mixed industry while in Britain it is only 45 per cent. Profits from property dis-posals increased by £2 million to £5 million last year, but were offset by a £2.1 million

shortfall from currencies. The group's ability to reduce capacity if demand sud-denly dries up makes it a particularly attractive investment in today's markets. The shares have further to go on 1988 pretax profit forecasts of

(STOCK MARKET

G7 talks dampen down bid excitement

Bid fever swept through the London stock market yesterday following the news of Suchard's dawn raid on Rowntree, But this was not enough to hold the attention of investors, who were keepng a wary eye on the G7 talks in Washington.

Once again, prices closed below their best levels of the day as Wall Street opened lower in resumed trading after a disappointing set of US retail sales that pointed to an increase in imported goods. The market also remained wary ahead of today's US trade figures which are expected to show a deficit of about \$12 billion (£6.5 billion).

By the close of business, a total of 514 million shares had been traded - slightly above this week's depressing levels but this had been artificially inflated by the activity in Rowntree.

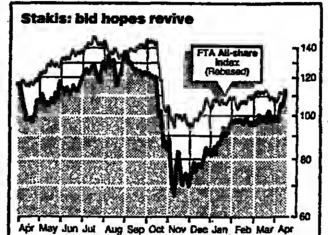
The FT-SE 100 closed below its best levels with a rise of 5.1 points at 1,810.4, having been 11.3 higher. The nar-point out that with more than cadbury Schweppes, the rower FT index of 30 shares 30 per cent of the shares in confectionery group, in which gained 1.3 points at 1,435.0. Government securities scored gains of £4 in a thin

market Stakis, the Glasgow hotels, restaurants, casinos and financial services group, returned to prominence, touching 115p before closing 12p better at 114p as buyers chased the shares higher on talk of a bid of 135p per share from a mystery suitor.

This year, there was talk that Scottish & Newcastle Breweries, which owns a 6 per cent stake in Stakis, was ready to bid for the rest, hoping to fend off the unwelcome attentions of two antipodean investors, Sir Ron Brierley and Mr

John Elliott of Elders IXL. Dealers now claim that S&N may be ready to pounce and are warning clients not to be short of the stock.

Speculation intensified after hours when word went round



the market that Land Leisure, the hotel and leisure group headed by Mr Peter de Savary, was also lining up an offer for

There has been plenty of trading in the shares between market-makers in recent weeks in the run-up to the interim results next month. One dealer was at pains to

256p before closing 5p dearer at 252p. Sir Ralph Halpera, the chairman, addressed 50 analysts and fond managers last night at a seminar arranged by Burton's own broker. Clearly, hopes were high that Sir Ralph would have some good news for them.

safe hands, any offer for Stakis would have to be generous and in excess of the talked of level of 135p per share.

The dawn raid by Jacobs Suchard, the Swiss coffee and confectionery group, on Rowntree, the Aero, Kit Kat and Rolo chocolate group. whetted investors' appetites for the rest of the food sector. There are already a number of bid targets in the sector where sizeable share stakes have been built up.

Rowntree soared by 149p to 626p, after 630p, on a turnover of 61 million shares as Warburg Securities, the broker, acting on behalf of Suchard, acquired a 15 per cent stake io the company at 630p per share. Suchard has said that it intends to increase its stake to 25 per cent next.

General Cinema of the US holds a near 18 per cent stake. advanced by 11p to 276p as about 7 million shares changed bands.

week by way of a tender.

Ranks Hovis McDongall also jumped 15p to 331p as buyers hoped that Goodman Fielder, the Australian group, will soon use its 29 per cent holding in the company as a launch-pad for a full bid.

Northern Foods, said to be on Dart Corporation of Australia's shopping list, closed 9p higher at 256p, while improvements of 10p and 15p respectively were recorded in George Bassett, 216p and Unigate, 270p.

Tesco improved by 4p to 162p after the group's full-year figures were well received in the market.

Mr Philip Dorgan, an analyst at Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers, the broker, said that the results were in line with

and the successful integration of Hillards. He forecasts £265 million before tax for the current year and believes that the shares

group's continued progress

fully deserve their premium Time Products, the manufacturer of Sekonda watches.

and closed 13p higher at 179p. This rise coincided with Warburg Securities becoming the company's broker. Hopes are high that some lucrative deals will follow. The group has about £17 million in cash in its pocket and is said to be on the verge of further expansion.

In July, TP bought Piaget and Baume & Mercier, the luxury watch distributor and the company is said to be interested in adding other branded luxury goods.

Shares of AG Stanley, the owner of the FADS home furnishing stores, soared by 24p to 228p. Speculation surrounding Williams Hold-

expectations and reflected the ings' 25 per cent stake in the company prompted the rise with some dealers of the opinion that Mr Nigel Rudd. Williams' chairman, is ready to sell his interest to a bidder.

"Rubbish," replied one dealer, who suggested that it was more likely that Williams Mr Geoff Mulcahy, the chief executive of Woolworth, attracted speculative support is continuing to meet the

> month's figures. Yesterday, he played host to County NatWest WoodMac, the broker and a select group of fund

control itself and that Mr its retailing arm.

Owners Abroad, a perennial

which has Horizon Travel under its umbrella, is looking to expand its travel interests. Mr John Ferriday and Mr Richard Smith, who control Paragon, the charter airline and the quoted Eagle Trust, the Midlands mini-conglom-

erate, are said to be willing

of an introduction. Opening at

189p before closing at 188p.

1850, the shares improved to

GEC continued to respond

to this week's bullish circular

from Kleinwort Grieveson,

the broker, firming by Ip to

sellers of their 15 per cent stake in Owners Abroad. Acre, a new, iodependent oil company, created out of a merger between Century
Power & Light and SHV's
Dyas, the Dutch group, started
life on the main board by way City in the wake of last

managers. The shares rose 2p to 296p.

will soon lannch a bid for full Rudd will develop Stanley as

takeover favourite and Britain's fourth largest travel com-pany, showed signs of renewed life, closing 2p higher at 86.5p, Speculators have been nib-

bling away at the shares in the

hope that Bass, the brewer

150p. Grieveson rates the shares as a buy and claims that the stock has been oversold, Mr Chris Tucker, an analyst at Kleinwort, says that the shares represent good value for

Michael Clark and

Geoffrey Foster



PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

Year ended 31st December 1987

1987	1986
£m	£m
1,788.7	1,633.5
155.3	115.3
150.7	108.5
42.1p	30.5p
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an increase for the year of 25%.

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ROCKWARE **回**

1987 Preliminary Results "An excellent year"

- Profits before tax significantly up from *£4.7m to £9,2m.
- Earnings per Ordinary Share 7.0p against *5.7p in
- Sales increased by 12% to £161.5m (*1986 £144.4m). Balance sheet transformed.
- Dividend doubled. Overall improvements on 1986 in traditional operations and from

acquisitions made.

- 34.5% of sales from non-glass businesses.
- Repayment of outstanding £3m Debenture to be completed this year.

Sir Peter Parker, Chairman

"On the evidence of our progress in 1967, I believe the way ahead looks as positive and auspicious as it is challenging".

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	1987	*1986
Sales	£161.5m	£144.4m
Profit before taxation	£9.2m	£4.7m
Earnings per Ordinary Share	7.0p	5.7p
`Res	tated on merger ac	counting basis

ROCKWARE GROUP plc

Copies of the 1987 Annual Report & Accounts may be obtained from The Secretary, Rockware Group plc, Cliftonville House, Bedford Road, Northampton NN4 0PX.

Power auditor named mission company, and ac-

The 12 electricity distribution boards have appointed Price Waterhouse as consultants for privatization. The team will be led by Mr Howard Hyman, the director of privatization

The accountancy firm will advise on regulation, contracts between the boards and the electricity generators, the

sultant to the Electricity Council in the first phase of privatization planning and al-ready advises the Midlands Electricity Board.

establishment of the trans-

 Coopers & Lybrand has been appointed by the Government to carry out a feasibility study on privatizing British Technology Group.

counting and tax. The company

BANK OF WALES BASE RATE

Bank of Wales announces that its Base Rate has been decreased from 8.5% to 8% with effect from 11th April 1988.



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Pyear of 25%

Smiths Industries takes off to £41.6m at half time

Smiths Industries, which has been transformed from a and £1.8 million higher, million, and industrial inwatch and clock communication and £1.8 million higher. watch and clock company into a diversified aerospace and medical group, is re-emphasizing its confidence that ruling at the beginning of the this financial year will be another one of growth for both financial year. profits and net earnings.

By Alexandra Jackson

It yesterday disclosed pretax profits of £41.6 million for the 26 weeks ended January 30 compared with £26.6 million, a 56.4 per cent increase. Turnover was £307.6 million compared with £197.6

million, an increase partly helped by recent acquisitions. The group is raising its interim dividend from 2p to 2.25p a share.

Turnover and pretax profit

man of RMC Group, yes-terday denied speculation that

the building materials com-

pany was considering selling its do-it-yourself retailing op-

eration. Great Mills. "It is not

An improved performance

from Great Mills contributed

to the 39 per cent increase in

group pretax profits for 1987 to £150.7 million and the 38

per cent rise in earnings per

£1.6 hillion to £1.8 billion, A

final dividend of 7.5p was

declared, making a total of 1 lp

.Mr Camden said he was

leased with the results. "The

first quarter has been very

strong indeed. This must have

something to do with the mild

In Britain, where RMC has

interests in builders' mer-

chanting, theme parks, sec-

urity alarms and waste dis-

posal, as well as cement and

aggregates, operating profits increased from £61.7 million

Ready-mixed concrete vol-

umes rose more than 10 per

to £85:8 million.

weather," he explained.

for the year, up 26 per cent.

Group sales advanced from

for sale," he said.

respectively, had results of overseas companies been converted at the exchange rates

All operating groups con-tributed to the higher results.

Britain, still dominating the profits table, brought in £21.2 million at the trading level compared with £18.4 million. and the United States £14.1 million compared with £4.1 million - the increase reflecting the Lear Siegler deal, now renamed SLI.

Results of individual divisions show aerospace and defence brought in £22,4 million (£11.7 million); medical

due to strong demand.

ket remained competitive.

against £3 million in 1986.

terests £6.1 million (£4.2 million).

Included in the aerospace and defence sector are sales of £101 million and trading profits of £9.4 million relating to

Order books in the division are strong which underpins the longer term prospects, the eroup said.

There was resumed growth in medical systems in North America where profits in dollar terms matched the 13 per cent increase achieved in Britain and elsewhere.

Last year's second half improvement in industrial activities has been main- £70 million.

Net earnings turn out at 9.6p a share compared with 7.9p a share previously. The shares closed 2p down

at 254p. Smiths has recently decided to sell its Australian activities other than those connected with aerospace and medical

Completion of the sale is imminent, and net proceeds of more than Aus\$40 million are expected.

A feature of the interim report is the rise from £1.37 million to £3.52 million in interest received. This reflects the continued rise in group cash balances now probably as



No sale: Joho Camden of RMC (Photograph: John Manning)

Suspension is upheld

The ruting council of Lloyd's insurance market has upheld the suspension imposed by a disciplinary committee on Mr. David d'Ambrumenil, a bro-ker implicated in the PCW

The suspension expires on July 24. It was imposed by Lloyd's in July 1986, following publication of the Depart-

By Alison Eadie

Pearl Group, the life and general insurer in which Mr.

Larry Adler, the Australian

entrepreneur, has a 6.46 per

cent stake, made pretax profits

of £48.3 million in the year 10

the end of December, a rise of

The life side contributed

£43.4 million, a rise of 16 per

cent, and the general side swung from a loss of £4.5 million to a profit of £100,000.

26.4 per cent

Holdings, the former owner of the PCW agency, has yet to be published by the DTL.

Tempus, page 24

Mr d'Ambrumenil was found guilty of conducting insurance husiness in a discreditable manner, of dishonesty in certain insurance transactions and of attempting to mislead Sir Peter Green, the chairman of Lloyd's.

The total dividend was raised

Pearl is maintaining its reversionary bonusus on or-dinary and industrial branch

policies and increasing its terminal bonuses to give an

increase in benefits on matur-

ing policies of between 4 per

cent for 10-year contracts to 6

per cent and more for longer

had a limited effect on Pearl's

The stock market crash has

term contracts.

by 19 per cent to 12.5p.

ment of Trade and Industry interim report on the Unimar affair, part of the PCW saga. The full report into Minet Mr d'Ambrumenil was the

Candover assets jump

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

specializes in organizing and backing management buyouts.

Candover Investments, which UK Paper - has been floated, and more are expected during

outperformed all quoted in-vesiment trusts last year with a 41 per cent rise in net assets the 1987 performance showed to £25.4 million, or 352p per that a portfolio of management buyouts had been an

The trust benefited from the outstanding investment for flotation of Caradon and the institutions in the 1980s. sale of four other companies at The trust's accounts revea

Pearl Group sparkles with £48.3m thinking because it bases its £625,000 after reinsurance, terminal bonuses on a fiveyear average. It also enjoyed a building insurance significant increase in the about 10 per cent.

value of its property investments last year. In common with other life companies. Pearl has boosted its reserves against Aids claims by £13.5 million.

On the general side the October hurricane caused gross claims of £7.3 million, which netted down 10 just

Pearl looks set to raise house building insurance rates by

The motor account remained disappointing with rates set to rise again by 8 per cent in July

The reinsurance side im proved from a loss of £5.2 million to a loss of £200,000 due to lower reserves against American long-tail husiness long term tiabilities.

Tesco's grapes of wrath

Retail food analyst Philip Dorgan, of Cidcorp Scrim-geour Vickers, could be forgiven for treating himself to a stiff drink last night. It had been a hard day. For, if looks could have killed he would no longer be in the land of the living after yesterday's City analysis meeting to discuss Tesco's results. Tesco's fi-nance director, David Reid, had apparently been breathing fire down Scrimgeour's telephone lines after learning of not wholly accurate reports that Dorgan had been advising clients to switch out of Tesco and into Sainsbury, on fears that Tesco was about to announce a £250 million rights issue. I was recommending a switch out of Tesco, but not for that reason," Dorgan tells me. When he eventually arrived at yesterday's analysis meeting, the aumosphere was decidedly frosty. "It wasn't very pleas-ant," admits Dorgan, "Reid asked me if I had my tin hat and David Malpas, the managing director, didn't give me a particularly warm greeting either. But we are still on speaking terms and 1 did get my bottle of whisky - but it's probably been injected with something deadly!" Bemoan-ing the fact that analysis need

to be thick-skinned these days, he added: "I only cover five

He has been voted the number

one retail food analyst in all

the top City surveys.



One for the monied

As if the young upwardly mobile professionals, with their job losses, pay cuts and shrunken portfolios, had not suffered enough, they are now to be the victims of National Activations. Anti-Yappie Day. The main feature of the day, on Septem-ber 10, will apparently be an outdoor rock concert in Loudon's Docklands by the pop group Class War. It will be preceded by a 22-city tour, been given a special distinction. It is being dubbed "Rock Rich", with each of the cou-Against Stockbrokers".

Is Sir Paul Girolami, chairman of pharmaceutical giant Glaxo, aware, I wonder, that he could be about to give the inmates of one of Britain's



win an Oscar?"

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

certs being beld in those

randown inner cities now being "gentrified" by wealthy new-comers. "The yappies are descending on working class communities. like locusts." says one of the organizers, who identifies himself only as Sean. As well as the inner city venues, a concert planned in Guildford, the beart of Surrey's stockbroker belt, has been given a special distinc-

day to play.

Honoured

is, I hear, to be conferred with

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ness, Welbecson, was based.

Inside forward

"Dawn Raid? Didn't she

Hoppy at the helm Times are indeed a-changing at Harrisons & Crosfield, the

plantations to chemicals and timber group. For the first time in its long history it is to have both a chairman and chief executive who have been brought in from outside the group. For David Hopkinson. legendary former chief exec-utive of fund management group M&G. is, after a year as deputy chairman, being moved op into the chair in June. He will replace Tom Prentice, aged 68, who is staying. on as president. Hopkinson will be working alongside chief executive George Paul, a director since Harrisons bought the firm he owned four years ago. Although he retired from M&G prisons cause for celebration? The company's chemical diat the end of 1986, life has vision in Northumberland is. been far from leisurely for I hear, sponsoring the second Hopkinson, aged 61: Known division of the local Morpeth as "Hoppy", and now into his third career - his first was as a, Clerk of the House of Com-Sunday Football League and the favourite in the final - to be played on April 24 - is Acklington Prison. So serious mons before he began his City career at the age of 33 - he has are the locals about the contest also become deputy chairman that one of the prison's star of English China Clays and a players, recently released after director of Wolverhampton & serving 12 months for hur-Dudley Breweries, A commitglary, has been given special ted Christian and a Church permission by the Home Of-Commissioner, in his spare fice to return to the fail for the time he also sits on the General Synod of the Church of England and its Central Board of Finance. "They al-Sir Gordon White, chairman. ways say you work much of Hanson's American diharder when you retire and it's .true," he tells me. "But Harrivision, has not been forgotten

sity of Hull, the city where he of the company. Carol Leonard [

pany and I have known it for

many years." He should do -M&G owns around 9 per cent

in his home town. In July he sons is a very exciting com-

CBI warns of currency threat

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By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

The Confederation of British Industry has given a warning that exporters profits are being threatened by currency fluctuations. In the longer term, investment would be hit. Companies were holding their export prices by accepting cuts in profit margins.

Predictability of exchange rates at competitive levels was crucial for business. Mr John Banham, the CBI's director general, said.

He was speaking after the CBI's monthly council meet-ing endorsing CBI policy on the currencies controversy which has blown up since sterling was allowed to rise against key currencies. Mr Banham made clear that the CBI, in line with the Government, believed con-

tainment of inflation was still the first priority for the health of the British economy. The CBI was looking only for a reasonable amount of currency stability. "To call for absolute stability is unrealistic. Currency movements over a period of

time, bringing adjustments of 3 to 4 per cent, are inevitable in markets in some turmoil but that percentage in as many weeks is very difficult indeed for manufacturing industry to accommodate," There was no question of

the business community looking for a devalued currency to accommudate inflationary wage semicments, he said.

"But a successful economy has to come first. An overvalued currency can have an opposite effect with respect to inflation and in the long run to jobs," he said.

Peachey offer for Epic is extended

By Cliff Feltham

Peachey Property Corporation has extended its 260p a share takeover bid for Estates Property Investment Company to April 26 after yesterday disclosing acceptances of 34.9 percent

Peachey confirmed that it intends to retain its stake even if it means remaining a signifieant minority shareholder in Epic. This is in response to a rival bid worth 270p from Giltvote, a consortium headed by Mr Stephan Wingate, the property developer, which has so far acquired shares and acceptances totalling 27.4 per

COMMENT David Brewerton

No sweet talking for chocolate soldiers

Weet talk will be out between Rowntree and Jacobs Suchard after the impolite dawn raid, at least for the time being. Rowntree will not have been surprised by the Suchard action, for the Swiss chocolateers have been pussylooting around the Smarties of York for several years, and were probably the beneficial owner of the shares, held through Swiss banks, which Rowntree threatened to disenfranchise a few years ago.

Even the raid's timing was predictable, coming only days after Suchard set the wheels in motion for a rights issue which will raise enough to allow the purchase of the full 25 per cent stake it

But Rowntree was finding a little light relief on a worrying day in the fact that those investors who so easily gave Suchard its 15 per cent will live to rue the day. All history has demonstrated that those who sell in dawn raids collect less than those who hold on. If there is a full bid for Rowntree, which is highly likely in time, despite the undertaking hy Suchard to stop at 25 per cent for a year, it will have to be at a significantly higher price than the 630p at which

yesterday's mcn sold out. And if the Suchard threat puts a chocolate rocket under Rowntree's performance, then the current price is modest even on trading grounds.

cross-frontier mergers, is one of the front runners in the 1992 club which looks certain to produce a rush of truly European companies of a size which can be attained only by takeover. Klaus Jacobs, the Suchard chairman, may be located outside the EEC in ever-neutral Switzerland, but his marketing ambilions lie firmly within it. Suchard has some premier brands, but nothing to approach the worldwide impact of Kit Kat or Smarties, and if a combined group could be loosed on the confectionery markets of Europe while Cadhury is obsessed with its own independence, there would be some sweet pickings indeed.

Beyond Europe, there are opportunities in the Far East and the United States, and both M Jacobs and Rowntree chairman Kenneth Dixon recognize that the biggest markets are the most promising, and that corporate bulk is needed to conquer them.

The problem for Suchard, however, is that Rowntree really has more to bring to the party than Suchard. Its brands are more widespread, its products have personality rather than commodity status and it is hard to argue with Rowntree's statement that it does not need Suchard. That does not mean, however, that there would not be benefits, perhaps enormous benefits, in a link between the two groups. In the Suchard, itself the product of various global brands business, size counts.

European look is needed

uropean stock markets still have much to do in reform and marketing if they are to achieve the levels of business in the world's two top stock markets. In 1987, the eight leading centres in the European Community (including all Germany's exchanges) accounted for only 14.9 per cent of the estimated \$4,476 hillion turnover of the world's 16 leading stock markets.

By contrast, an analysis in the monthly Morgan Stanley Capital International Perspective shows that turnover of stocks in the first section of the Tokyo stock exchange accounted for 38 per cent of the total.

The big board stocks of the New York exchange, now lagging behind Tokyo in value, were still ahead in turnover with 42 per cent of the total.

London's Big Bang and kinder stamp duty regime, far from ushering in a dash for growth, were vital to stem the City's relative decline. This, at least, has been successfully accomplished.

In 1987, turnover on the London stock exchange (though comfortably Europe's highest) was just 6.1 per cent of the world total, marginally lower than London's share 10 years before. But, in the meantime, London had slipped down to 3.75 per cent in 1983

and had only recovered to 4.5 per cent just before Big Bang, when London had temporarily been overtaken by the combined German exchanges.

Apart from Germany, turnover as a percentage of market capitalization is also lower in London and other European exchanges than in Tokyo and much lower than on the New York stock exchange.

That is partly because London quotes far more smaller companies but is still surprising when compared with Japan, where so much of the capital is tied up in permanent interlocking shareholdings and takeover activity is rare.

European exchanges have been held back by restrictive practices, fragmentation and relative lack of interest from private investors. State ownership has also kept many of Europe's top world-scale companies out of the stock market arena. Widespread privatization is changing

some of that. But the stock exchanges have as big an opportunity in the breakdown of internal Community barriers from 1992 as any industry. London, in particular, needs to become a trading centre for all the leading European



RESULTS 1987 After tax profits up over 25% to £31m 17-2p Earnings per share up from 13-7p to ■ Dividends up 19% to 12.5p ■ New life premiums up 46% to £272-4m Terminal bonuses increased and reversionary bonuses maintained

In 1987 life profits continued to show strong growth from conventional business and unit-linked contributed 58% more profit after tax than in the previous year. Short term business continued to improve with good results in Marine, aviation and transport. With overall profits up over 25%, the directors are recommending a final dividend for the year of 7-5p per share, making a total of 12.5p, an increase of 19% over 1986.

LONG TERM BUSINESS

Total premium income increased by 23-6% over the previous year. The growth arose mainly from single premiums which increased from £126-7m to £210-3m with unit-linked assurance business contributing 75% of this amount. There was also a significant increase in self-employed pension business from £5-6m to £10m which promises well for success in the personal pensions market during 1988.

SHORT TERM BUSINESS

There were excellent results in the Marine, aviation and transport account, and much reduced trading losses on reinsurance business. The overall improving trend seen in 1986 has continued, although the results are still not wholly satisfactory. The UK home service business requires further remedial action and additional measures are being introduced.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT

"Our life business results were again very satisfactory and general business results have improved considerably. Pearl Group has been gearing up to take full advantage of the new financial services regime. With a strong balance sheet and carefully prepared initiatives we are well placed to meet customer needs and ensure success in the future."

Annual Reports will be available in May from Derek Underwood, Company Secretary, Pearl Group ple, High Holborn, London WC1V 7EB.

PEARL GROUP PLC

and Japan's Transport Ministry have agreed to set up a panel to monitor ship prices as a first step to ending the depression facing the world's shipyards, members of an EEC delegation said yes-

They said the EEC, Japan and South Korea, which have a combined world ship market share of more than 60 per cent, should co-operate to stop the current price war and improve conditions for shipbuilders.

"Almost every shippard, is losing money as a result of offering below-productioncost prices." said Mr Jos Loeff, deputy director general of the EEC directorate-general for External Affairs.

Mr Loeff said the two sides agreed they should start to work on the common goal of rapid improvement in the market situations or prices", while the industry itself remains responsible for structural changes, including cuts in capacity.

Mr Loeff said the EEC is not secking any expansion of the European shiphuilding industry, but wants to keep it a reasonable part of the

European yards, which have already given up part of their shipbuilding work to Far Eastern builders, are now losing

(Reuter) - European Eco- such jobs as the construction nomic Community officials of high-value vessels, said Mr Arie Adriaan van Rhijn. another EEC delegate.

Mr van Rhijn said prices offered by Far Eastern yards for construction of bulk carri-ers are still 20 to 40 per cent lower than those of European About half the Istel equity is companies, which could not compete in the prices quoted for very large crude carriers, even with the help of

"After the Korean won's appreciation and labour problems, the Koreans may be interested in an orderly mar-ket." he said. The EEC will send a mission to Seoul after the Tokyo visi1.

Concerning Japan's proposal to introduce commercial interest reference rates for ship financing, he said the EEC understands the stance. hut that "it's a small issue when we discuss the integrated shipping and shipbuilding industries.

Asked how serious the EEC is about using tax measures against foreign competition, Mr Loeff said: "If there are no solutions by June, we'll examinc ways by December. But I think we're on the right track."

The EEC said last month that it is considering a special tax on foreign-built ships using its ports, to defend its shipbuilding sector against competition from Japan and South Korea.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 14TTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF UNITED KINGDOM TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL PROVIDENT INSTITUTION will be held nightly HALL, PISHERTON STREET, SALISBURY, WILTSHIRE, ON WEDNESDAY (STH MAY 1988, nt 2.00 μm to transact the following buyings:

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9. To reselect as Directors of the Institution the following Directors, who retire by rotate

3. To elect the following Directors who have been appointed since the last Annual General

Michnel Doerr Kenneth O'Reilly-Hyland

4. To re-appoint Messrs Defotto Haskins & Sells as the auditors to the Institution and I

By Order of the Directo B W SWEETLAND Secretar

United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution, United Kingdom House, 72/ 122 Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilishire SPI 5SH

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NOTICE OF MEETING

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Michael Doerr

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"THAT Rule ((1) of the Rules of the Office be altered by inserting at the end of the delinition of "person insured" the word "and" and the following new sub-paragraph:

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EEC and Japan to Istel worker investors see 180% jump in their stakes

Istel, the computer services operation bought out from the Rover Group last June, has told its 930 worker shareholders that their original invest-ment has increased in value by more than 180 per cent.

held by its managers and workforce, a quarter by the Rover Group and the remainder by institutions. Two-thirds of the 1,390

employees took up the option of subscription units comprising one ordinary share and one preference share priced together at £2. Ordinary shares were ruled to be for at least a medium-term holding. Worker investments ranged from £400 to £12,000.

Now the company's audi-

By Derek Harris

Industrial Editor

With the privatization of the water

authorities now being planned, Thames

Water is taking a commercial look at its

Mr Bill Harper, the managing director

of Thames. Britain's largest water

authority, believes that just five of its

water treatment sites alone could bring

By next year Thames should be free of

historic debt. It is looking to privatiza-

tion in 18 months to two years, probably

after the Government tries an initial

flotation with one of the smaller authori-

Mr Harper said: "There are still legal

constraints on us as a public body but our attitudes have been changing. At one

time it was only when an operational site

had passed out of use that we would look

at it as a development area. Now we are

looking at our sites as assets in the

broadest sense and on how they may be

S steps up

ties such as Southern Water.

A new electronic sensor de-

sign, development and manu-

facturing company for the Antrim Technology Park in

Northern Ireland was an-

News of the company.

Neotech (NI), raises - within

24 hours - the value of US

investments in the province to

almost £10 million and 300

oew jobs, the Northern Ire-

land Industrial Development

Board disclosed. For on Tuesday, the US owners of

Irlandus Circuits, which pro-

duces printed circuit boards at

Craigavon, Co Armagh, an-

nounced a £4.9 million expan-

sion of the plant to increase employment there from 220 to

Neotech (NI) is being set up by Mr David Ripley, an

inventor from Dallas, Texas, in partnership with Bloomer

Electronics, the Ulster com-

pany, and with minority eq-

uity participation of the US

government-backed Interna-

The IFI's venture capital arm is putting up £450,000 for

10,000 shares in Neotech.

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nounced yesterday.

£5.66, creating a market price for people leaving the company, when they have to sell

There were 900,000 units sold to the workers while another 1.2 million ordinary shares are held by about 40

Mr John Leighfield, the chairman and chief executive, said: "The valuation reflects our growth. It was a competitive and not a soft price we paid for 1stel because we were very much in competition with a number of large information technology compa-nies." He and other managers had individually borrowed heavily to hring off the buyout, Mr Leighfield added.

"The objective is to build the business over the next few



Leighfield: flotation plan years and then to go to a flotation.

The flotation was originally targeted for 1991 but the company's growth in the past year has been such that Mr Leighfield believes it might

Liquid assets: Bill Harper at the Stoke Newington treatment plant which is to be redeveloped (Photograph: Nick Rogers)

depends on how we develop the assets

and on the planning permissions we get.

A lot of the sites have amenity value -

there are many stretches of water and

interesting buildiogs - so we are very sensitive to the environmental and

Prime examples are the five water

treatment sites which are to be phased

out when a oew deep tunnel system

becomes operational to move more

drinking water to London consumers.

The five sites are at Stoke Newington,

covering \$3 acres: Surbiton (64 acres); Barn Elms, Richmond (138 acres);

Hornsey (31 acres); and Kempton, near

Thames hopes the eventual proceeds

from the disposal of the five sites will

cover 25 per cent to 30 per cent of the

£180 million to £200 million cost

involved in the deep tunnel system and

At Stoke Newington a filter beds area

is to be given over to residential

By Robert Rodwell

Best year for new jobs

where.

than \$40 (£21.60), are already

being sold in the US, where 22

million analogue tyre pressure

gauges are sold annually. US

filling stations, unlike British

and European forecourts, do

not normally provide air lines

A new custom-built micro-

chip being developed for Neotech by Texas Instrument

will from September, permit

models displaying pressures in

kilogrammes per square centi-

metre and atmospheres to be

ready there, both locally owned or headquartered else-

These have enjoyed boom-ing sales, particularly in the garment and textile sectors,

with the revival of the United

Kingdom economy and the shopping bonanza along Brit-

ain's high streets. But many

also are benefiting from in-

creased penetration of export

markets, and from showing a

Thames Television: Mr

Mike Nally, Mr Richard

Verson and Mr David Webb

have been made assistant

with integral gauges.

conservation aspects."

the racecourse (187 acres).

the upgrading of some plants.

support. Mr Ripley, aged 28, has developed what is claimed

to be the world's first micro-

electronic digital tyre pressure

gauge and more accurate than

conventional mechanical

Entering volume produc-tion in September, 100,000 will be produced at Antrim in

the first year, and a million

during the first four years -

during which employment will rise to 200.

A brighter economic picture in

Northern Ireland was high-

lighted when the provincial

Industrial Development Board announced its best year's re-sults since its 1982 foundation.

The number of new jobs promoted in the year to March 31 was 5,300, 300 above target, end up on 1986-87's 4,200, which was the previous

Nearly 900 of the new jobs

are promised by 12 investment projects from companies new to Northern Ireland, but the

Kleen-e-ze: Mr Nigel Swabey

and Mr Clive Beharrel are

made executive directors. Mr

Peter Ward becomes a non-

William Baird: Mr John

Parsons becomes a director

Lewes Design Workshops: Mrs Pam Duffill, Miss Anita Elderkin and Mr David

Jarman have joined the

Stag Furniture Holdings:

Mr Nicholas Radford, Mr

Roger Blaney and Mr George

Ella are made directors.

executive director.

from May 3.

board.

majority result from

Initial models, costing less

gauges currently used.

But he added: "What we get out of this

now be possible to bring i forward, possibly to 1990.

Istel is fast diversifying but in the past year 57 per cent of its £70.1 million turnover still came from its work for Rover. The Rover element grew by 4 per cent but the rest of Istel's business expanded by more than 36 per cent. It has been concentrating particularly on the financial services and health care markets.

A strict comparison financially between last year and 1986 is not possible because of the business changeover, said Mr Leighfield. But he estimates that on a like-for-like basis revenue grew by about £10 million in 1987 or 16 per cent, with the 1987 pretax. profit at about £5 million. He expects similar growth this

Dipping a toe into commerce

development. One of two reservoirs will

run dry as the site ceases to be a "water

factory" and the area designated for

housing. Thames intends to introduce an

element of "social" bousing probably by iovolving housing associations.

recreation purposes while a large historic pumping house, a listed building, is

expected to be torned to community and commercial use. About 47 acres will be

redeveloped leaving nearly half the total

Thames has a joint venture with

The authority is also capitalizing on its

Wimpey, the construction company, for

building 458 homes at the Queen Elizabeth reservoir, Walton-on-Thames.

in-house expertise by expanding over-

seas consultancy, which should bring in

£1 million this year, and offering specialist services on large-scale pipe-

work and improving water quality in

large buildings such as hospitals and

produced for the continental

Europe and Japanese markets.

product commitment we are

making to Northern Ireland."

Mr Ripley said in Belfast yesterday. "Pressure and tem-

perature measurement is a

adopting micro-electronics.

"We intend to develop and

produce here a whole range of

sensors with applications in

various industrial, aerospace

and consumer fields, and we

are going for a tyre gauge in the first instance because the

market is so big."

"This is not a limited single-

site as a public amenity.

A remaioing reservoir will be kept for

£4.33 million.

be forthcoming from the same source in 1988, said Mr Donoffshore workload declined. Mr Parvin said Mauhew ald Parvin, the chief ex-Hall was oow concentrating more on onshore work, particularly in the petro-At the trading level, me-chanical and electrical enchemical and pharmaceutical gineering profits were static at industries.

Dividend ahead as

Matthew Hall

slips to £15.26m

Matthew Hall, the engineering group chaired by Sir George £6.70 million — against £6.66 million — after a £1.16 million

pensions benefit. But healthy workloads in the division, with order books up 25 per cent over the past year, boded well for 1989 and beyond, said Mr Parvin.

The group hopes to sell all

its mining and minerals opera-tions in the next few months.

They lost £704,000 after a trading profit of £904 million

in 1986. Negotiations are tak-

ing place with various parties.

The design and construc-tion division, which contrib-uted £2.78 million at the

trading level, up by £1.5 million on 1986, had experi-

enced a significant increase in

orders to record levels since the start of the year, Mr Parvin

Oil, gas and chemical busi-

nesses saw profits slide from

£6.75 million to £4.90 million

in 1987, despite a £3.05 mil-

lion pensions contribution, as

group chaired by Sir George

Jefferson, the former head of

British Telecom, yesterday an-nounced expected lower prof-its of £15.26 million for 1987, down from £18.02 million in

Turnover dropped from £503 million to £471 million.

but a same-again final divi-dend of 3.5p makes a total up slightly to 5.375p, from 5.25p.

The company issued a prof-

its warning in January, blam-

ing an unexpected loss on one

US fabrication contract, a

delay in recovery of contract

claims and the falling US and

Changing currency rates trimmed profits by £866,000. The group did benefit, how-

ever, from a substantial adjustment to its pension

scheme - to the extent of

A further £750,000 would

Australian dollars.

HRGM holds up despite rate cuts

Mountain, the insurance group which demerged from the Hogg Robinson travel and estate agency group last year, made pro forma pretax profits in the year to end-December of £12 million, against £11.7 million the previous year.

at other Lloyd's brokers, because HRGM has about 70 per cent of its business in retail brokerage, rather than wholesale brokerage where the effect of rate-cutting has been more

In Britain, the company's retail tornover rose 12.5 per cent, but its wholesale turnover feli 11 per cent. In the US, the retail busi-

provisions An extraordinary charge of £5.3 millioo was made to cover the costs of the

demerger and defence against the bid from TSB, as well as 18 per cent in dollar terms, er reorganization costs.

Wembley scores £2m

The profits compare with £118,000 earned in 1986 on a of £3.49 million from contiouing activities and £1.34 million lost by subsidiaries sold

trading had shown a continuation of the 1987 improvemeet with results running ahead of budgets. The group

the Greyhound Racing Ass-

ociation and the owner of six

dog racing tracks, becoming chairman of the merged

He said that first-quarter

was investigating various projects and acquisitions to accelerate growth of the con sports and entertainment businesses. He added: "I hope to be

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

IN THE MATTER of UNITED KINGDOM TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL PROVIDENT INSTITUTION

IN THE MATTER of the INSURANCE COMPANIES ACT 1982

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition was on the 2tsl March 1988 presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice by the above-named FRIENDS PROVIDENT LIFE OFFICE ("Friends Provident") for the sanction of the Court under Section 49 of the Insured Companies Act 1983 to a Scheme ("the Scheme") providing for the transfer to Friends Provident of the whole of the long term business (as defined by Section 1(I) of the said Act) of UNITED KINGDOM TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL PROVIDENT INSTITUTION ("UNP") and for orders making ancillary provisions in connection with the said transfer under section 50 of the said Act. oder section 50 of the said Act.

The Petilion is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr. Justice Warner at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A ZLL on Monday the 13th June 1998. Any person (including any employee of UKP or Friends Provident) who claims that he or she would be adversely affected by the Scheme may appear at the time of the sald hearing in person or by Counsel. Any person who intends so in appear, and any policyholder of Friends Provident or UKP who dissents from the Scheme but does not intend so to appear, should give not less than two clear days' prior notice in writing of such intention or dissent and of the reasons therefor to the Solicitors named below.

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Hogg Robinson & Gardner though only 5 per cent in sterling terms. The fall in the value of the dollar wiped £1.2 million off group profits. No final dividend is being paid, because of the change of year-end to December from March. The oext dividend will Profits held up better than be for the six months to end-Exceptional charges of £2.5

million related to reorganization expenses, closure of a loss-making subsidiary and errors and omissions

ness increased its turnover by divestment and post-demerg-

estments into GRA, formerly

Wembley, the company created this year by the merger of the GRA-Group and the Wembley stadium complex, yesterday reported pretax profits of £2.15 million for 1987 and a maiden dividend

restated basis and are made up during the year.

Mr Brian Wolfson reversed

his unquoted Wembley Inv- announcing something soon."

IN THE MATTER OF FRIENDS' PROVIDENT LIFE OFFICE

Copies of the said Petition, the Scheme and n Report by an Independent Actuary in persuance of the said Section 49 of the said Act may be inspected nt each of the offices specified in the Schedule hereto during normal business hours for n period nf 21 days from the publica-

very large area and pressure measurement has lagged be-hind temperature testing in

Copies of the documents referred to above will be lurnished by such Solicitors to any person requiring them prior to the making of an Order searchoning the Scheme on payment of the prescribed charge for the same.

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Professor Peter Lawrenson has been made a non-exec-Sbandwick Consulting

Hamworthy Engineering:

been appointed a director. Davidson Pearce Group:

Miss Kazia Kentor has joined

the board as group finance director. Berkeley St James's: Mr Robert Lim has been pro-

valuable setback for the Republican anti-investment campaign.

Mr.John Hirsch is now a nonexecutive director. Dale Electric International: utive director.

DATED 14th April 1988

On the Irish-American camign to deter US investment in Northern Ireland, Mr Ripley said that after two years of working there: "I have been able to look behind the headlines and see the quality of people here and realise the potential of this area to support a high-tech venture like

The NI authorities see these two investment decisions as a

far greater awareness of marketing opportunities over-seas, said Mr John McAllister, the IDB chief executive. APPOINTMENTS

John Davey has been ap-pointed deputy chairman. Marr Frozen Foods: Mr David Cheeseman, Mr Jeff Evans, Mr Gerry Raines and Mr Dave Vickers become

Granville & Co; Mr Steven Group: Mr Frank Barnard has Sussman, Mr James Wellesley Wesley and Mr David Williamson have been ap-pointed to the board. Mr

moted to director of finance.

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The IMF and the World Bank are

expected to produce a new initiative

for the Third World at their meeting in

Washington, But Onno Ruding,

chairman of the interim committee,

says it may mean more belt-tightening

Shares follow US rise

(Reuter) - Share prices closed higher in robust trading on a stable dollar and following Wall Street's overnight rise to a post-crash record, brokers

Buying enthusiasm was lunned ahead of the Group of Seven meeting yesterday and the release of US trade figures today, although there was oot too much concern.

Mr Takeshi Murakami, deputy branch manager of Schroder Securities, said: "No bad news is expected for the Japanese market."

The Nikkei Dow index gained 54.71 points or 0.20 per cent, to 26.985.55 It firmed by 5.97 points on Tuesday. Rises almost matched falls in volume of 1 billion shares against 750

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house issues led the advance. Non-life insurance, road transport, paper/pulp, property and some maoufacturing shares declined.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 2,110 on Tuesday and six consecutive rallies on Wall Street have created a calm backdrop to trade in Tokyo, brokers said.

However, there is little incentive to buy actively ahead of this week's events, brokers said and an effort is still being made to keep the index below 27,000.1f the market rises at what may be considered too heady a pace there is concern that margin requirements will

again be increased. The stock exchange tightened margin requirements on the buying and selling of Japanese equities on March

While the index did reach

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CANADIAN PRICES

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the high for the day being 26,995.28 in the late afternoon.

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Although domestic instituoff their peaks.

icularly from overseas institu-tions, brokers said. The Hang Seng index rose 35.30 to close at 2,671.24 and the Hong Kong index rose by 24.11 to 1,756.13.

Turnover reached HK\$1.13

NEW YORK

Dollar dip hits Dow at opening

(Reuter) - Shares fell in early trading yesterday on fairly light turnover. Brokers reported that profit-taking was encouraged by a fall in the dollar on renewed talk that the Group of Seven had no firm floor for the dollar against the

The Dow Jones industrial average fell by 12 points to 2,098.08. Declining issues outnumbered rising ones by about two to one.

Pfizer rose by 24 to 59% amid talk of a takeover bid. IBM, one of the constituents 1% to 115. Its first-quarter earnings were at the bigh end of forecasts.

On Tuesday, the Dow average closed 14.09 higher at 2,110.08.

FRANKFURT **AEG** lifted by Daimler plans

(Reuter) - Early optimism again turned sour on West German exchanges, with share prices falling back from opening highs to end mixed, as the higher dollar failed to spark sustaioed buying, dealers said,

Electricals were strong, led by AEG, which rose to 248.80, 3.10 points up on Tuesday's finish. The increase came after Daimler confirmed rumours that it wanted to increase its majority stake in AEG.

tions are still maintaining low profiles, they have begue to nibble at blue chips. "Domes-tic institutions thought the market was a little too high. and that steels and the big heavy industries were far too high," a broker said. "They feel much happier going into blue chips, most of which are

● Hong Kong - Prices finished firmer at the day's highest levels yesterday on strong buying interest, part-

billion (£781 million) against HK\$1.17 billion on Tuesday.

in Washington between the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, says Mr Onno Ruding, chairman of the fund's interim committee. The recent initiatives by the World Bank, the IMF, and the Paris Club to ease the way

for cash-strapped countries in the Third World are fine," he says. "But it is already clear that fresh resources alone will not be enough." The enhancement of the structural adjustment fund, whose resources were in-creased this year from 3 billion to 9.5 billion special drawing rights, will provide

for long-term concessional fi-

nancing with a maturity of 10

years, and carry the token annual interest rate of 0.5 per "But the IMF is principally a monetary institution, not a charity, and one of its main tasks is to assist countries to overcome their balance payments problems," says Mr Ruding, a hard-line Christian Democrat member of the ruling Dutch coalition party who has come under fire from

World lobby. Educated at Rotterdam's Erasmus University, where he received a doctorate in economies in 1967, Mr Ruding is a banker's banker rather than a development aid politician. He headed the international

the country's vociferous Third

Further belt-tightening is to be the Finance Mioistry from expected by developing coun- 1965 until 1970. After six tries after the annual meeting years as joint general manager of the securities underwriting and corporate finance department of the Amsterdam-Rotterdam bank, he joined the IMF in 1977 as an executive director. On returning to the Netherlands, Mr Ruding joined Amro Bank's board of directors and, in 1982, was

appointed finance minister. The forging of closer links between the IMF and the World Bank - on his agenda for today and tomorrow - is something he claims could alleviate some of the debt problems facing the developing world. His alleged concern for the low income countries, whose repayment bills this year are expected to total more than three times that in 1980, led to the establishment of a special fund for these countries.

While Mr Ruding believes soft loans to be more the business of the World Bank than of the IMF, he remains open, or at least says he does, to providing such interest facilities as soft loans - and perhaps eveo the writing-off of some debts. This is just as well, considering that at least two-thirds of the sub-Saharan countries, for example, find it difficult to pay while their trade-related arrears exceed \$10 billion (£5.4 billion).

Striking a "fairer balance" between financing and adjustment is a matter of following monetary affairs division of the IMF's case-by-case ap-



'Fresh resources alone will not be enough': Onno Ruding

country.

proach. "Insufficient financing with respect to either amount or period can lead to crisis situations, unwarranted exchange rate depreciation and restrictions or debt default." he says, suggesting he may support some new allocations. "But too much leniency in financing payment difficulties or financing for too long a period tends to postpone the necessary adjustment. This danger is heightened when countries finance themselves by sources other than conditional fund credit."

IMF chief warns of leaner

He clearly favours mediumterm rescheduling while making loans conditional on such conservative economic reforms as the reduction of high exchange rates, increases in agricultural prices to boost production, and the reversing of government spending fav-

ouring lowns over the

He defends the fund's policies as being "correct, justified, and not over-con-servative under the actual, often very seriously imbalanced. circumstances." spite the failure of some reform programmes through inadequate donor funding and a scarcity of foreign exchange.

Strict conditions are out to blame for poor growth and other problems, he will insist in Washington, suggesting that IMF conditions "enable troubled countries to resume a satisfactory growth rate after a period of necessary stabiliza-

times for Third World tion." At the same time, he admits that some austerity programmes provide insufficient stimulation for economic growth, employment,

and direct investment. "We should exercise firm surveillance over the policy behaviour of all member states in a symmetrical way." Such surveillance should support countries in the follow-up of their adjustment efforts and promote greater exchange rate

stability. "With better balance of payments equilibrium, the ancial role of the fund

could get less emphasis." In handling both the debt problem of the middle-income countries and the structural problems of the poorest, he will move to see the World Bank play a more substantial role in future. "In many countries, the necessary adjustment policies are under way, and there's now a growing need to tackle the structural bottlenecks to

The IMF's small share in financing balance-of-payments deficit. believes Mr Ruding, requires better co-ordination with commercial bank lending. Such lending encourages oil exporters to invest excess funds in short-term bank deposits instead of recycling larger amounts in the form of direct long-term country-tocountry grants.

Commercial banks, he says could co-ordinate future activities with the IMF in several ways. These include national bank supervisory bodies playing an intermediate role; dit co-financing between the IMF and commercial banks: exchange of information about borrowing and deficit countries: and parallel financing whereby bank credit is extended to countries subject to them toeing the appropriate political lice.

Peter Spinks

Dutch buy for Fisher

Albert Fisher, the food importer and distributor, has purchased a Netherlands fruit processiog group, De Leeuw's Handelsonderneming, for a maximum price of 90 million Dutch guilders (£25.71 mil-

The group's main offices are in Rotterdam and its largest processing plant is to Belgium, from which it supplies the European food industry, as well as US drioks companies such as PepsiCo and the Coca-

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Fisher is paying 70 million guilders initially, 52.5 million in cash and the balance in oew shares. A maximum 20 mil-lion guilders is payable also if profits pass 28 million guilders in the next two years.

The vendors are principally five senior managers, who have agreed to stay on for at least three years. De Leeuw's, which employs 130 people. made pretax profits of 11 million guilders last year on sales of 245 million guilders. for 1987.

US architect slips to \$1.5m

Tribble Harris Li, burdened by the short-term costs of acquisitions that have not yet paid their way, suffered a profits setback last year. The US architectural and design company, quoted on the USM, reported pretax profits down from \$1.89 million (£1.02 million) to \$1.5 million in the year to November 30, THL said earnings per share were nearly unchanged at 8.18 cents. A final dividend of 3.2 cents makes a total of 4.8 cents

Air Canada to be sold

From John Best, Ottawa

The Canadian Government has announced plans to privatize Air Canada, the national airline.

Mr Don Mazankowski, the deputy prime minister, said the move would permit Air Canada to raise the billions of dollars needed to buy new

The transfer to private ownership will take place in stages, with a maximum of 45

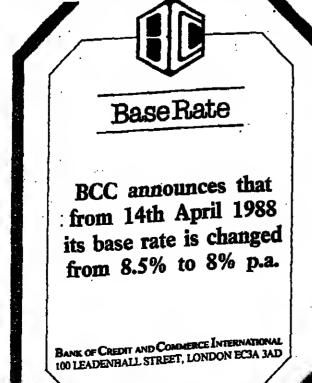
Eventually, all the shares will be made available to the public. Foreign ownership will be restricted to 25 per cent.

Mr Mazankowski said Air Canada - the largest of Canada's carriers, with 22,000 employees and about 100 aircraft - needed a significant cash injection to replace its rapidly ageing fleet.

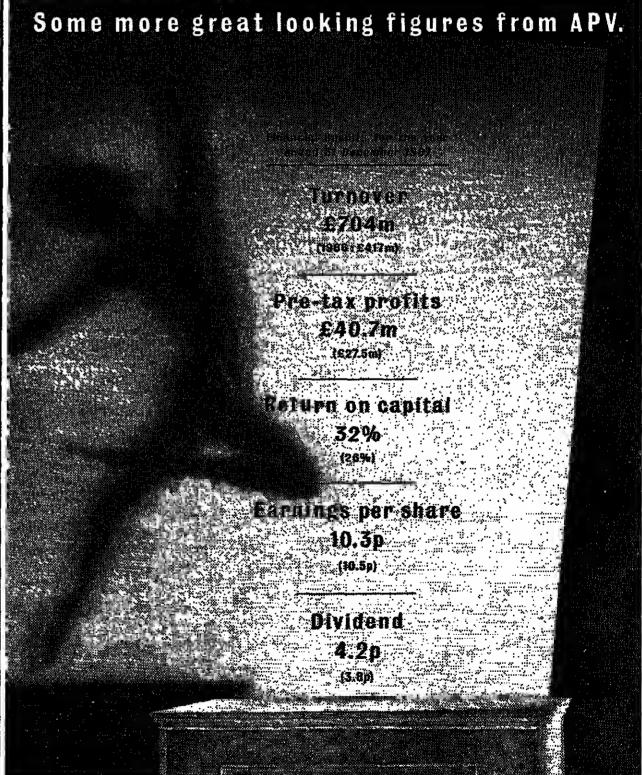
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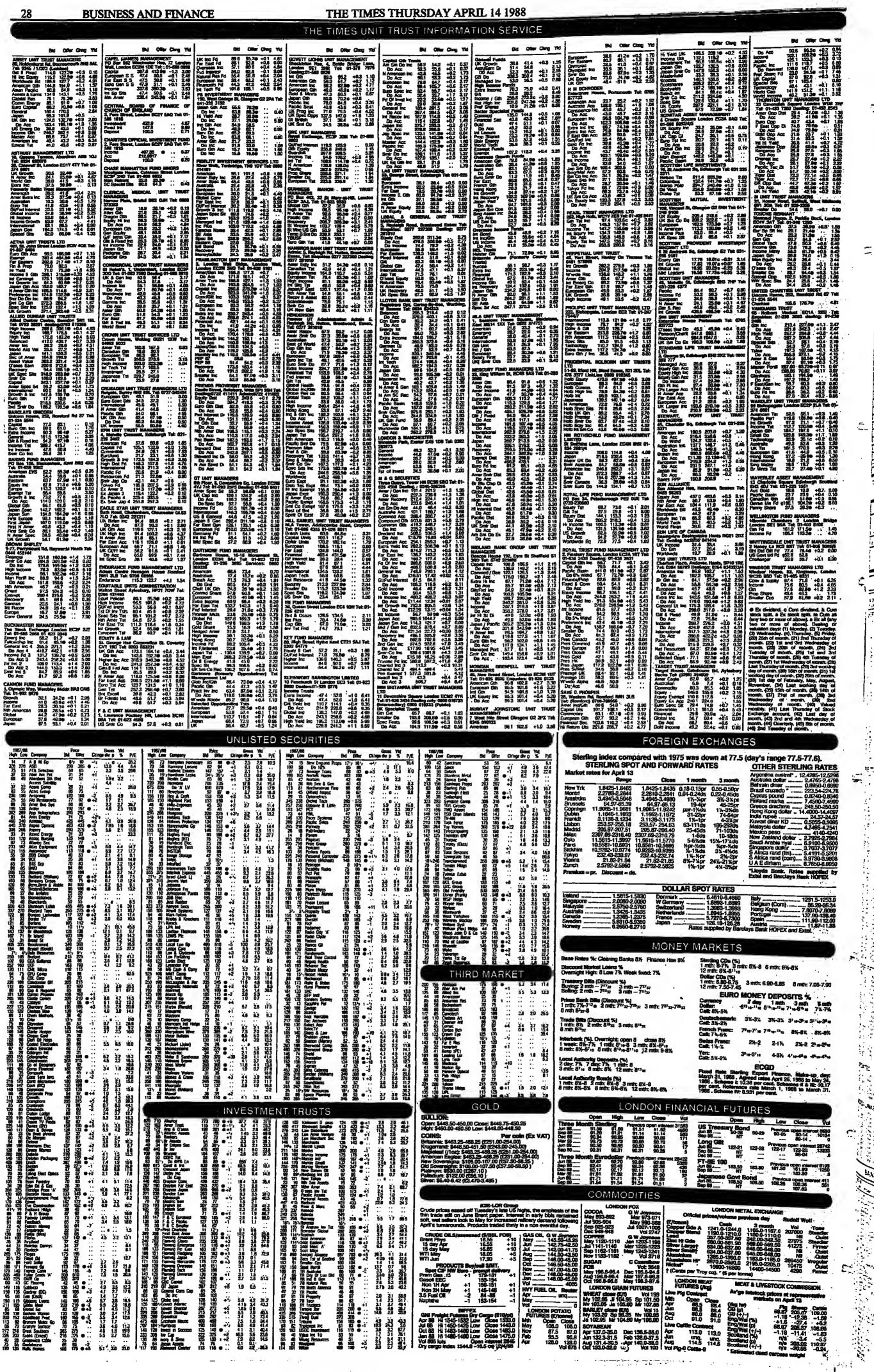




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GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

Michael Ingram, marketing consultant, stresses the expertise that is the hallmark of his profession in today's world

bold enough to pre-dict 20 years ago that a then fledge-ling industry would, account for about £5 hillinn of expenditure? Today that industry, or profession as many would like to have it, is known as sales promotion. It has its Institute of Sales Promotion, with an expanding membership and its own register of about 75 agencies that have grown up and expanded dramatically, particularly during the past decade.

Twenty years ago the industry had little or no clear image. Some unkind abservers would say that what image it had was that nf provider nf the apocryphal "free plastic daffodil with a packet of soap powder". But those were probably very successful promo-

The early exponents of sales promotion worked either in units set up by leading "above-the-line" agencies - my own career began at the then merchandising unit of J. Walter Thompson - or in small entrepreneurial partnerships.

Recruitment tended to be haphazard and, within the larger agencies, sometimes included executive and creative staff who were nnt deemed to be "quite

important, job of providing above-the-line services.

All of that has now changed. With the emerging clarification of what is above and what is below the line, an area of constant and often uninspired debate over the years, and more particularly, with talented clients entrusting more and more of what they understood to be below the line to specialist sales promotion agencies, the

nportunity for a young person to plan a real career in the discipline has finally become a reality — a career that fulfils the promise, in the right agency setting, nf an exciting and varied work remit, that nn the executive side puts the nimblest of academically trained minds to the test.

What kind of projects will the young sales promnter be involved in day in day? More and mnre companies utilize sales promotinn techniques every year — some without actually realizing it. Many major companies, of course, have their nwn sales promntion/ res, which invite inputs from one or a number of consultant agen-cies to a written brief and budget.

Clearly, the extremely visible national sales promotions aimed at the consumer, such as a "free glasses" collection scheme by a petrol group, or a heavily pro-mnted contest such as the recent Sales promotion now needs all skills, from writing to technology

British Airways "Concorde Challenge", have taken mnnths of careful planning by talented cli-ent-agency teams.

The more familiar an agency account team is with the client's business the better. For example, my own company has worked for the British Airports Authority for the past five years, promoting duty-free and tax-free shopping. Voucher schemes, scratchcard games, carefully monitored salesgirl operations, extra added-value nffers, and a business club for regular travellers are just a few nf the many promntional techniques

The remit for a client such as Woolworth, for whom we have acted for two years, involves the

execution of a year-long calendar of pre-planned and innavative promntinns, which have included event days - St Valentine's Day. Mother's Day — the production of 40 million catalogues, and the launching and administration of the Woolworths Kids Club, which now has more than 300,000 junior

But nut all sales promotion is quite as visible or well managed. Beneath the important consumer tip of the iceberg, many com-panies are almost certainly wasting valuable funds nn a piecemeal approach to sales force incentive schemes, exhibitinns, trade deals and business-to-business literature when, at little or nn extra cost, they would be well advised to

experts to achieve a co-ordinated plan and overall look for their

n summary, it's a job that

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requires everything from presentation skills to copy-writing panache, tenacity and the constant ability to work under extreme pressure, as well as management of a creative team and the understanding of production processes, both the traditional and new. Certainly, there are job opportunities. But in a fast-growing sector are the inbs

likely to go to the people who can deliver two or three years' relevant

Some agencies have a policy favouring the candidate with experience Most welcome at least one or two raw recruits a year. My own agency receives a large num-ber of unprompted applications from graduates and we interview as many of these as we possibly can. But for a business that requires tenacity, attention to detail, creativity and at least a sense of how to set up one's stall, the general standard of applicants' pitches is poor.

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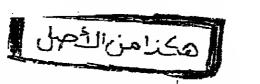
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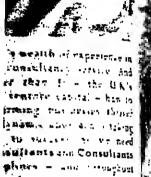
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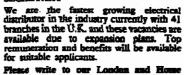
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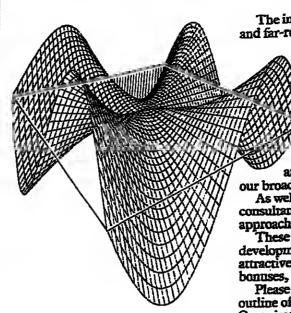
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Caution: Greeks at work

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The government has recently taken a number of initiatives to encourage growth and the development of local industry. Last year EEC nationals were allowed to repatriate funds freely, and in December the government announced important tax incentives - for example all profits from exports in 1988 will be exempt. Generous grants, newly available, are adding to the general buoyancy of the business climate

Also important is the development of Atlens as a main centre, its new and effective mayor (nicknamed "Bull-dozer") sees the city bidding for the 1996 Olympic Games as a move to force the government to take effective steps to deal with the appalling problems of pollution and traffic congestion.

From January 1 this year, EEC nationals do not oced a work permit for Greece, a development which could save up to six months of relocation time. Just as important, it can offer relief for working wives who in the rest. working wives who in the past have not been able to seek jobs.

The burgeoning growth in various sectors of the economy has, however, caused its own problems. There are serious shortages of the kind of people needed to deal with the increased reduce and emphistication of husiness. volume and sophistication of business. Eirine Racopoulos, the personnel man-ager for Rank Xerox in Athens, says aggressive salesmen are in short supply, closely followed by accountants and marketing executives. And Greece is not

The heavy bureaucracy is often cited as an impediment to business.

immune to the world-wide dearth of good quality general managers. Dr Panayons Kanellopoulos, managing director of a computer agency in Greece, says that the computer market has expanded without the necessary infrastructure for the development of the market. In particular, this manifests itself in an unsophisticated approach to after-sales service, as well as a heavy burden of bureaucratic regulations. The experience is typical of other industries.

Despite the recent efforts of the government, many of the old problems remain. The heavy bureaucracy is unanimously cited as an impediment to business. I was forced to interview one businessman in the bustle of an Athens police station while he waited to have his signature authenticated oo a routine document. The process required that he present himself in person. After half-unhour, during which we were studiously

Greece is up-and-coming as a place to work but.

says Clare Hogg, it's

advisable to discover the

hidden pitfalls before

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ignored by all, we left, mission unaccomplished.

Lorraine Batler, director of Executive Services which provides office facilities for foreign businessmen, has seen men wilt against "unforeseen forces." She says: "The telephone lines are always busy, crossed, don't ring, or are answered only in Greek. The customer is always wrong. The paranoia of secrecy seems impenetrable when seeking information.

Time is out of control—noon is not 12.00, it is 2.00pm, the afternoon begins at 5.00pm, rush-hour is four times a day. Christmas and Easter become minisabbaticals. Facial expressions take the

Tax inspectors require scrupulously kept records, and an endiess process of registration must take place before invoices can be sent off. Employers in according to the control of the con certain sized companies may find dis-abled persons presenting themselves to start work, with no notice and without having had any part in their selection.

The general advice is to do as much homework as possible before setting up a business in Greece (the British embassy will be helpful) and, before arrival, to fiod a well-recommended legal adviser.

On a preliminary trip to Athens, the husinessman now has access to a host of agencies who can help with information. Embassies and consulates. United Na-tions agencies, foreign banking institutions, business associations and chambers of commerce will all be helpful.

Many professional management organizations have their branch offices in Athens. Greek investment and promotion agencies, who understand the market, are also a good source of support. The Athenion, an English language magazine (as well as some of the chambers of commerce) publish useful names, addresses and phone numbers.

A good lawyer can, unfortunately, do nothing to protect the entrepreneurial businessman from another hazard; contacts within the government are essential for trouble-free trade, but months of careful cultivation can come to nothing overnight. One director who had spent most of the summer and autumn in difficult but finally successful negotia-tions with Mr Simitis, the then Finance Minister, was horrified to hear of the minister's sudden resignation when his agreed budget was cast aside without

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Flexibility is a vital quality for the businessman in Greece. Greek is a complicated language that can take from a year to 10 years to learn. There is first the problem of a different alphabet, then an intricate grammar, difficult pronunci-ation and dialects, but it is worth learning. It takes a while to get to know the ropes, and for this reason sensible employers avoid short two-year tours.

However, there are many good points. Greeks have a high standard of living and the clothes shops io Kifissia, the smog-free Athens suburb where many expatriates live, could out-do Hamp-stead. Another example: John and Petra Grimes found a beautiful house to rent. but it needed total renovation. The landlady arranged for the completion of the works in two mooths, to their arrazement because "a similar job in Brussels would take double the time."

This unexpected efficiency is, however, erratic, and usually iofluenced by outside factors. The standard of public maintenance works is noticeably better in an election year than at other times.

Landlords differ enormously, but some investigation is essential before undertaking a commitment to a properly, and the basis of a rental agreement should be firmly established. Because of the high level of taxation in Greece, it is not uncommon to find the final agree

'Its a fabulous place for the children - and the schools are good'

ment incorporating well below that actually payable, with the balance of the agreed figure falling under the con-taxable heading of "maintenance costs".

Given the high level of personal taxation, the expatriate should explore if. and to what extent, his employer can pay his salary off-shore. It is not unusual for an employee to receive a taxable salary in drachma sufficient only to meet oormal day-to-day needs, with the balance being paid to a suitable off-shore location.

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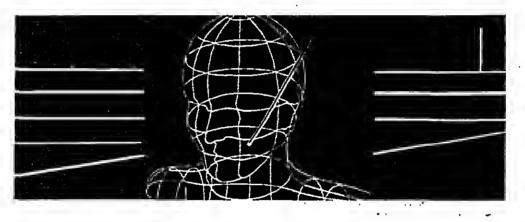
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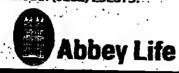
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separate boards to administer Protestant rugby and Catholie rugby, would Syd Millar ap-prove? It would be just as

ludicrous as the South African

system and is, as the South African system should be,

forward) had reached the ball a

loose scrum would start build-ing up and within seconds the ball would be in the scrum half's

hands without any of the current pile-ups that so often finish in a

penalty, nor any of the equally tedious, almost military, fall-in

of the Rugby League, with both

sides marking each other so closely that it often takes six

attempts to get the ball properly

were usually won by tries, not by penalties as they are so often

first would be between crews of

"genuine" undergraduates, with an age-limit of, say, 22 and the second, to be rowed half an hour

or as soon as practicable after the first, between crews of

students not subject to any age-

One spin-off might be that the

former crews contained an

acceptable proportion of "true

JEMETT"

J. E. MAXWELL-HYSLOP.

Yours faithfully,

Sherborne, Dorset.

North Place,

limit.

Brit." oarsmen.

The Pond House, Swelling Hill,

Suliivan in 1972.

Yours faithfully,

national sports team.

R. A. MACDONALD,

13 Oakleigh Gardens, N20.

Yours truly,

6 Townsend Cottages, Horton-Devizes, Wiltshire.

unthinkable. Yours faithfully, J. I. BRENNAN,

The White House,

Seveonaks, Kent.

Underriver

We were not overjoyed by the

everyone's face.

An alternative sense of fun

From Mr Mike Willioms Sir, I trust your rugby writer had fun" — as he calls it — reporting the England 16 group inter national win over ttaly (April 4).

Regrettably he brought to the match an attitude to rugby more appropriate to the pre-war Obolensky era and the pages of the now defunct Boy's Own Paper. Regrettably, too, his comments epitomized the debilitating conflict at the heart of England's rugby dilemma.

We know that rugby can be played purely for physical enjoy-ment and "fun" as well as for deeper satisfaction. Now that the Courage league system is in full swing, all rugby players have a recognizable choice as to whether they wish to play purely for transient fun or in the pursuit of excellence which results in deeper and longer lasting

One of the players "taking the game so seriously" last Saturday informed me afterwards that he had played in 27 matches to win his England "cap" - and there was no doubting the pleasure he took in winning this symbol of achievement and in the manner of victory his team produced on

The England team trained and practised together for four days prior 10 the international with n seriousness and a

Separate boards

From Mr J. I. Brennan Sir. Can Syd Millar (the former Irish and British Lions prop) be serious when he pretends that rugby football is open to all ethnic groups in South Africa? Having been there, both as player and administrator, be must know what the arrange-ments are: there are quite separate boards for whites and others. The appearance of a non-white player in a white team is rare and, when it happens, probably cosmetic.

His nonsense is on a par with the fatuous assertion that you cannot mix sport and politics. How can you not? A fair definition of "politics" is, t

Genuine rugby

From Mr J. E. Maxwell-Hyslop Sir, Would it be presumptuous for a very old stager to comment on the letter from Mr D. S. Cooke (April 9) in which he drew so depressing a picture of modern rugby? I have no objection to much of what he says, but cannot agree with his conclusion that the only remedy is to abolish most of the forward play and concentrate oo mul-tiple threequarter play, as in Rugby League.

The deterioration of genuine rughy stems from the date some 30 or more years ago, when the law, that after a tackle the ball had to be played with the foot, was abolished. Before that as soon as one player (generally a

Two boat races

From Mr Charles Jewell Sir, When the Boat Race was a

contest between undergrad-

nates, with only an occasional fourth-year student, it had a charm and interest which the

present contests, performed largely hy seasoned oarsmen of

Olympic and international cali-

panizers and sponsors that th

annual event would be much

improved from all points of

Hanley not first

From Mr R. A. Macdonald

Sir, May I correct the impression (April 8) that Ellery

pression (April 8) that Ellery Hanley is the first black player to captain Great Britain, as this

distinction fell to the late Clive

view (including profitability) if

it were turned into two races: the Alresford, Hampshire.

May one suggest to the or-

brc, have lust.

Injustice for young golfers From Mr H. N. L. Blenkin

played with exciting commit-ment, intelligent decision-mak-ing and no little *élan* and ffair. Sir, As is shown by John Hennessy's article on the Halford Hewitt tournament (April 7), young British golfers attending American universities Quite how your correspondent gained the impression that no "fun" was had is a mystery; in the changing-room afterwards there was very considerable visible evidence, writ large on appear to suffer an injustice in the matter of their handicaps. They are not allowed to count their American competition handicap here. As a result they may, when returning for vacations, be obliged to revert to higher previous handicaps at mater on Camoer Sands could be dismissed as self-indulgent journalism, were it not for the fact that there are still too many people — some too close to seats

scores for the purposes of their UK handicaps, nor are they allowed to use their American their home clubs, and that in turn will prejudice their chances of being accepted for the more important British amateur

This is the position of Edward Richardson, a talented young member of this club who was mentioned by Mr Hennessy. He is a student at the University of Miami and the authorities there have courteously sent us a schedule of his numerous competition scores. Whether by British or American computation they would give him a playing handicap of one, but the English Golf Union has directed engish Goil Union has directed that these scores be disregarded. In consequence he goes back to an earlier handicap of three, and may lose his chances of competition at national level in the UK.

This policy of our handicap-ping authorities seems mis-conceived and calculated to deter rather than encourage ambitious young players. We ambitious young players. We suggest that it be speedily reviewed.
Yours faithfully,

H. N. L. BLENKIN, Rye Golf Club Camber, Rye, Sussex.

Best time wasted From Mr Stephen Garvin

Sir, The school population of this country is, or will shortly be, returning for a summer term which will begin with wioter barely over and end early in June, summer having barely begun. Thousands of acres of playing fields, including some of the loveliest cricket grounds in the land, will then remain empty and unused during the best time of the year.

When I was at school in the Thirties the summer term ran right up to the end of July. What sense is there in this change, which has many deplorable consequences, such as the catastrophic decline of public school In those days, too, matches and university cricket, to name but one? Perhaps some latterday headmaster or other auth-ority would kindly explain this

> Yours faithfully, STEPHEN GARVIN, Little Bricklehurst,

Wadhurst, East Sussex, '-

Raising interest

From Mr P. T. Johnson Sir. Your columns have recent! been littered with remarks on the declining public interest in Test cricket. It would be too such to expect the administrators to surface with a sol-titioo to this, so here is an idea to set the ball rolling. The drawn result must be eliminated; there-fore each inniogs will be restricted to a maximum of 100 vers. In the case of weather interference, the second ionings will be yet further reduced, by an appropriate formula. Teams bowling their overs slowly will suffer immediate and crippling

penalties in terms of runs or A little research may show that Sullivan was the first black That should help to restore captain of any British ioterthe circulation. Yours faithfully P. T. JOHNSON 127 North Hill

RUGBY UNION

Potential captain defects to League

By Peter Bills

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The long-term threat to the prosperity of Rogby Union in Australia has once again been made manifest by the loss of one of the game's top players. The decision of Wallables Brett Papworth and Matthew Burke earlier this year following the tour of Argentina to turn professional, was a considerable blow. Now Ricky Strart, at 21 considered one of the finest young players of the amateur code, has left many in Rugby Union disappointed and disillusioned by also going to Lengue.

Stuart was called to Argentina last autumn as a replacement to

last autumn as a replacement to join the Wallaby squad, coached by Alan Jones. He had made his by Alan Jones. He had made his name as captain of the Australian Schools team in the British Isles in 1985-86 and had only recently joined the Manly Club in Sydney. He was regarded as a certainty to wear the Wallaby jumper in the international series this season against England and New Zealand. His enormous quality was such that many considered him a future Australian captain.

All that changed when the

All that changed when the Canberra League Club suddenly moved in for n deal. The financial details involved persanded Stuart that there was no decision to make.

decision to make.

Strart is said to be receiving a basic sum of almost \$250,000 (about £102,500) over a three-year period. In addition, he will receive \$25,000 each year in payment for work at the Canberra club. Further money will accree from bonuses for wins and even draws. As Canberra and even draws. As Canberra are presently in the top three at the Australian League table, he can expect to earn a not in-considerable amount immediate-ly from his bonuses. The deal in all is probably worth around £140,000 over three years. Big money for a lad of 21 to

Papworth picked up n simi-larly lucrative deal from Eastern Suburbs League Club, although n broken arm has recently put him out of the game. Burke earned slightly less from his father's old elnb, Manly Warringah.

The damage to the union game is immense. The new coach, Bob Dwyer, said: "Replacing players of the quality of Burke and Papworth will be a hard job. Stuart would have figured highly in our plans and it is a colossal blow to have lost him as well."

And the former coach, Jones, said: "Stuart's decision has to be considered a sad loss for the amateur code. He is a young man of extraordinary ability, as have been proven by Canberra's move. He has hardly played any senior club rugby yet was offered such a good deal. The long term portents for Rugby Union in Australia are serious indeed."

BOARDSAILING Mistral helps

Elischka on Reinhard Elischka, of Austria, recorded a speed of 36.35 knots on a sailboard shortly after racing began at the Johnnie Walker Speed Sailing event at Port St Louis, France, yes (Roger Lean-Vercoe writes). The long-awaited mistral arrived yesterday morning and by the afternoon gusts of between 30 and 35 knots were being recorded. Elischka's run, which will be confirmed at the end of racing, is just 2.21 knots slower than the world record

Before Mr Justice Harman

Land sites acquired by a com-pany specializing in waste dis-posal for use as "consumable tipping space" constituted cap-

tal and not current assets of the

company. Neither the expen-diture incurred on acquiring and

setting up the sites or on restoring them when infilling

was completed was allowable as a deduction in computing the

Wimpey Waste Management

Ltd against corporation tax assessments made on it for its accounting periods from 1978 to 1984 inclusive.

The taxpayer company be-

came involved in waste disposal

in 1977 and thereafter acquired

land to use for tipping. By 1984

it was providing a comprehensive waste disposal service to

both the private and the public sectors and had some 20 free-

licensed for use for the tipping of

[Judgment March 29]

tion tax purposes.

Lapierre overhauls Charmer to win yesterday's Ladbroke European Free Handicap at Newmarket (Photograph: Ian Stewart) Treble lifts Gifford to

Reprimand taken out as Cecil 2,000 team thins 1,000 mark

Last time out Lapierre had

been only narrowly defeated by Zelphi at Kempton and his

fitness certainly paid a hand-some dividend after a race in

which the winning time of I min 27.61sec was the fastest re-

corded over the distance at the

Charmer had looked all over

The Wood Ditton Stakes for

unraced three-year-olds resulted in the expected victory for John

Duolop's highly-regarded Caerleon colt, Alquoz, but it was

talk to Lady Beaverbrook."

meeong to date.

from the 2,000 Guineas and stages to finish fifth. Carmelite House is a doubtful runner as Henry Cecil attempts "Lapierre will certainly go for the Guineas if the going is reasonable," said Brittain, "But to win the first colts' classic for reasonable, Said Brittain, Win I've also got Intimidate, who takes on Tibuilo at Newbury on Saturday, and Galitzin, who runs against Warning

"Reprimand is getting bet-ter," said the seven-times cham-pion trainer at Newmarket yesterday. "But we've run out of time. We'll have to try and get him ready for races like the Irish 2,000 and the St James's Palace

the third time.

Reprimand twisted a front oint 12 days ago and Carmelite House has a sore back. "Carmelite House is still slightly sore," Cecil continued. "I haven't taken him out of the race yet but he's very unlikely to get there."

At yesterday's acceptance stage 42 horses were withdrawn leaving 48 standing their ground. Cecil also took out Salse and Yachtsman. "Salse is still on the easy list."

said the trainer, whose hopes now rest on Sanquirico, his runner in this afternoon's Craven Stakes. The general price on offer against Lapierre for the Guineas was 33-1 after Michael Roberts.

double blow at the Heythrop

After a comfortable win on

4-1 on chance, Curaheen Boy, in the last of the Audi qualifiers, be

went straight into the changing

compartment of the large mar-quee instead of the adjacent

weighing 100m and was disqualified for failing to weigh in.

Worse was to come in the next

race, however, when Young Lover fell at the fifth and

then disposed of for grazing or

In the company's audited

accounts the sites were shown as

constituting current assets and the company claimed that all the

expenditure that it incurred

annually on acquiring sites, preparing and developing them and on allocating sums for land

restoration was of a revenue

nature and deductible in

computing its liability to tax.

parkland purposes.

point-to-point on Tuesday.

even-money favourite prevailed as Pat Eddery landed the second leg of a double, Lazaz, the less fancied of Michael Stoute's two-Il times champion jockey of South Africa, had brought Clive Brittain's three-year-old storming past virtually the entire field in the last 1½ furlongs to beat Charmer and Heroes Sash in the runners, finished second, two lengths ahead of Pontennovo.

Dunion however, was pleased Ladbroke European Free with the winner's performance. Handicap. Al Musti, the 11-4 "He ran very green at the

Double blow for Naylor-Leyland

Joho Deutsch and Paddy's Peril repeated their 1986 win io

the Lord Ashton of Hyde's Challenge Cup over four miles.

HEYTHROP: Hunt: 1, Prince Popin (Capt C Marriott): 2, Metela (L.Lay): 3, Foot Stick (H Wake). Ledles: 1, Footish Hero (L.

C Marriotti; 2, Metale (L. Lay); 3, Foot Stick (H Wake). Lødles: 1, Fooksth Hero (L Fellows): 2, Mister Skip (T Etwell); 3, Everett (Mrs G Hammer). Open: 1, Paddy's Parl (L) Doursch): 2, Goldspun (M Fetton): 3, Caherdanel (K Hollowell). Audi Adj: 1, Tolmore (Mrs T Ewrell); 2, Krisbourne Bay (L Pritchard); 3, Raise Your Hoops (L Carenza). Old Etonian & Old Harrovisus: 1, Chalk Pri (G Gel; 2, Britway (G Smyly); 3, Prince Milborne (R Flemang). Mon E 1.

Reprimand has been withdrawn favourite, tired in the closing finish." said the Arundel trainer. "But be quickened up well to go and win his race and that's what I've always liked about him. I'll have to talk to Sheikh Hamdan before we decide on his next

> As far as the bookmakers were concerned, the most significant pointer towards the Guineas pointer towards the Gumeas was provided by the fact that Media Starguest, Tibullo's galloping companion, was so impressive when landing a major public gamble in the Earl of Sefton EBF Stakes. Mecca make Tibullo their second favourite at 7-1 for the hig race. 7-1 for the hig race.

After Ray Cochrane had brought Media Starguest home 2½ lengths clear of Bengal Fire. the winner until Lapierre found his stride and will obviously benefit from his first race of the Luca Cumani said: "I ran him three times over a mile and a half last year and it took me season. "I don't know about the Guineas yet," said Dick Hern. "I want to think about it and some time to realize that it was his wrong distance.

The Arlington Million in Toronto on August 20 is now his main target. But in the mean-time we'll have to find some races for him in which he won't have to take on the cracks."

2,000 GNINEAS NON-ACCEPTORS; Acedemic, Barut, Black Selbath, Chart De Depart, Cruise Ship, Dead Net, Drameds, Fijar Tango, Foreign Sorvivor, Gentleman's Jig, Gerrias, Halati, Harp Islet, Head Of The Abbey, Indian Flidge, In Extremis, Israr, Karlyasi, Kagar, Lake Como, Libra's Comer, Megadod, Margub, Medals Galore, Minister Son, Nabeal Dancer, Nikitas, Petrullo, Rehy, Reprimand, Sales, Savoureux, Secret Calm, See Now, Squill, Suggul, Tolo, Tolean, Triseamer, University, Yechtsman, Nabiss. only by a short head that the

Explanations accepted at

Cumani inquiry The Newmarket stewards yes-terday accepted the explana-tions of Luca Cumani at an inquiry into the ranning of Raykour on Tuesday. David Naylor-Leyland's bopes Naylor-Leyland sustained both of winning the mens' riding a disclocated shoulder and col-

A remarkable record-breaking treble nt Ascat yesterday took Josh Gifford to a career land-mark of 1,000 winners as a

Gifford's three winners — French Goblin, Direct Approach and Ballyhane — were all ridden by Richard Rowe and all three

Ballylane completed the 584-1 treble and brought up the 1,000 when beating Royal Stag in the Bollinger Champagne Novices' Handicap Chase.

"I haven't planned any celebrations — I didn't really expect it," Gifford said before going off to enjoy a glass of champagne at the expense of the

Ballyhane's time of 4min

41.6sec was 3.4 seconds faster than the previous 21/2-mile chase

record set by Very Promising

Earlier Direct Approach, the

Earlier Direct Approach, the first of two winners for Jim Joel, took 1.3 seconds off Grand Canyon's 1978 record when winning the Royal Fern Novices'

This followed an equally

impressive performance by French Goblin, who clipped a second off Dawn Run's 1983 record in the 2½-mile Lily Tree Novices' Hurdle.

Chase over three mile

trainer over jumps.

won in record time.

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After drifting from 7-2 to 13-2 before the Ladbroke Handicap, KAYKORT progress to finish fifth, beaten little more than a length.

Cumani told the stewards that the colt was not moving well going down the hill but that, ou meeting the rising ground, he started to run on again. The trainer said he was satisfied with Ray Cochrane's riding.

Yesterday morning, Raykour was found to be slightly lame and Cumani's vet diagnosed a pulled mascle

Queen's Bench Divisional Court

Law Report April 14 1988

Rolfe (Inspector of Taxes) v they were restored in ac-Wimpey Waste Management Ltd were restored in ac-cordance with the conditions specified in the licences and

Chancery Division

Justice who knew previous record should not have sat

Magistrates' Court, Ex parte Nudd Before Lord Justice Watkins

and Mr Justice Kennedy

[Judgment April t3] A magistrate who had convicted a defendant of threatening to kill his wife and thus knew his full antecedents should not have been part of the bench which a

month later tried the same defendant for failing to supply a

specimen of breath The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held on an application for judicial review by Barry Robert Nudd, in quashing his convictions by Downham Market Justices, on August 27, 1987, for offences of failing to provide breath specimens contrary to sections 7 and 8 of the Road Traffic Act 1972,

Mr Michael Clare for the applicant; Mr David Spens for

the Transport Act 1981.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS justices on the occasion of the August conviction had also been on the bench which on July 23. 1987, convicted the applicant of making threats to kill his wife tence of imprisonment.

On that occasion the chairman had the npportunity of reading a full social inquiry report on the applicant and become fully acquainted with his reprehensible criminal

1986 the chairman was on n bench which convicted the applicant of offences of failing to leave licensed premises when required to do so and using ibusive language.

The applicant's case was that whether be himself felt it was the effect of the chairman's past acquaintance with him was that there had been an ostensible hias at his trial in August 1987.

applicant's solicitor ventilated the idea that other magistrates that only arose when the know-abould hear the case because it ledge was disclosed in a way

Regina v Downham Market should not be heard by someone with previous experience of the applicant.

Unfortunately there was a misunderstanding between the solicitor and the justices' clerk, who was under the impression that the solicitor was asking for the case to be transferred to another petty sessional division.

The clerk refused the application, saying that it was a small rural court with only 11 justices. Many defendants repeatedly ap-peared before the court and lended to become known. The question for the Di-visional Court was whether the

clerk had addressed his mind correctly and applied the correct His Lordship did not accept that it had been impossible for a bench to be composed which

had no previous experience of the applicant. If that had been case the clerk would have said so in his affidavit. Moreover, the clerk had to be

taken as having reached his decision on the composition of the bench without consulting anyone, including the experienced chairman. it seemed to his Lordship that the clerk really addressed his mind to whether or not section

42 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 was satisfied. While it was of relevance to consider section 42 that did not engrely meet the issue confronting him. Here the chairman had cruantecedents including an of-fence of driving while unfit through drink or drugs.

The right question whether it was sensible and in the interests of justice for the chairman to sit. Had he asked that question the clerk might then have asked the chairman

appropriate for him to sit. An article by J. N. Spencer in ((1986) 150 JP 307) concluded ias at his trial in August 1987. That the mere knowledge of Before the August hearing the previous convictions did not necessarily preclude a fair trial;

which might lead to bias or the suspicion of bias. That was the relevant and applicable test.

Applying that test it seemed to his Lordship that it was wrong for the chairman to proceed to sit in this case. The public could not come to any other conclu-sion than that he might not have been able to put out of his mind his knowledge of the defendant in a case which turned on the defendant's word against that of n police officer.

Analogies had been drawn tween this case and others They had not been very helpful. Cases of bias and ostensible bias had to be regarded in the light of circumstances of this case could have no relevance to other

MR JUSTICE KENNEDY, agreeing, said that it was easy 10 understand how the clerk fell into error. He had a balancing did not know whether the clerk had the applicant's full criminal record. If not, the clerk had his

Lordship's sympathy. Clearly, in such circum-stances the solicitor should set out in full the grounds on which he was seeking to show why a magistrate should not sit.

Solicitors: W.F. Smith & Co, Swaffham; Crown Prosecution Service, HQ.

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Sites had an average life

Those claims were rejected by the company's tax inspector. mpany's profits for corpora-The special commission who heard the company's ap-peal found in relacion to each Mr Justice Harmao so decided in the Chancery Division upholding an appeal by the Crown from a determination of site that the identifiable asset was the air space that it pro-vided supported by the land, coupled with the relevant pera single special commissioner that had allowed an appeal by

mission to deal with it in a particular way. She determined that although land was traditionally regarded as a capital asset in the instant case it had to be regarded in the light of the business for whose purposes it had been acquired and as such had more in common with a builder's trad-ing stock than with fixed assets of an investor in land and

Mr Alan Moses for the Crown: Mr Stewart Bates, QC and Mr Kevin Prosser for the

constituted current assets.

MR JUSTICE HARMAN

held in the Chancery Division In re European Home Prodon March 16 when confirming the cancellation of a share The fact that resolutions to cancel a company's share premium account on a petition

by the company, European Home Products plc in the exercise of his jurisdiction under mium account were passed on the strength of an inaccurate circular would not prevent the court from confirming the sections 130 and 135 to 137 of the Companies Act 1985. cancellation where it appeared that the mistake would not have influenced the voting, the nfluenced the voting, the thareholders did not oppose the confirmation, and the creditors were not prejudiced.

HIS LORDSHIP said that line reductions ([1899] 1 compared to the creditors of the creditors on shoot ([1985] BCLC 119, 124, 125) on shoot ([1985] BCLC 119, 12 shareholders did not oppose the confirmation, and the creditors were not prejudiced.

([1985] BCLC 200, 201) showed. however, that it was not easy 10 secure the court's confirmation on the strength of an inaccurate circular and he exercised his discretion to confirm the cancellation with considerable hesitation because it went against the grain to encourage in any way a belief that facts stated

Inaccuracy not fatal to voting

in companies' circulars respect-ing reduction, cancellation and mes of arrangement and so on should be in any way otherwise than completely

the expenditure on the acquisition of the sites and on making them suitable for waste disposal was deductible. It raised the old question — one of law — of whether a payment was

Tipping sites are capital not current assets

The case for the Crown was that in all the circumstances the land sites acquired by the taxpayer company were fixed assets and for tax purposes were wasting assets, the expenditure on which, and depreciation of which, did not qualify as proper deductible items.

For the company, Mr Bates argued that the purpose in making the expenditure was to acquire, not the land, but the air space required by the company on a daily basis for tipping

That air space, once used up, could never be re-used and so did not constitute a fixed asset. permanent structure of the com-

rette Inc and Another Judgment March 291

of the agreement was to injure the other party. Mr Justice Gatehouse so held in the Queen's Bench Division in a chambers judgment, re-ported with his Lordship's per-mission, in which he declined to

Mr Mark Waller, QC, Mr Raymond Jack, QC, Mr Ian Geering and Miss Louise Edwards for the plaintiff, Mr Samuel Stamler, QC, Mr Ian Gtick, QC and Mr Thomas tvory for the first defendant; Mr pany and not a capital asset. The expenditure thus incurred, he argued, was not made once and for all and was oot capital but revenue expenditure. The company's case was falla-

Green Secret (A Walter).

OURE OF BUCCLEUCH AND JEDFOREST: Hunt: 1, Dundyvan (R Shiels); 2,
Bronzeknowe (G Hoanition); 3, Stream Of
Bundody (T Butt). Adj: 1, Birting Jack (A
Dudgeon); 2, Kitango (C Kennedy); 3,
Leander Blue (J Purves). Rest: 1, Precipos Lodge (J Mactaggart); 2, Geordles
Brig (T Soott); 3, Dun Rolfe (W Crozler).
Ledles: 1, Kimswa (Mrs V Jackson); 2,
Bantel Bowman (Mrs J Morton); 3,
Fallalaw (Mrs R Elich), Open: 1, Jasian (P
Craggs); 2, Glory Snatcher (K Darrby); 3,
Satinande (J Walton), Mdn t: 1, Cerdal (C
Sample); 2, Polly Verry (Miss B Howarth);
3, Marcus Audeclous (J Bradburne), Mdn
lt: 1, Head Key's (A Crow); 2, Tender Pet
(N Kellcher); 3, Miss Dilys (J Grossack).

Green Secret (A Walter)

cious. The "once-and-for-all" test could not be applied to expenditure by a substantial husiness acquiring wasting assets that were replaced when used up. Although the expenditure diture was recurrent, it was incurred to acquire land which was a tangible asset.

Regent Oil Co Ltd v Strick ([1966] AC 295), in contrast with BP Australia Ltd v Commissioner of Taxasion of the Commonwealth of Australia ([1966] AC 224), provided a useful guide. There the House of Lords had held that sums paid by nn oil company to owners of garages to acquire leases in order to secure sales of its products were payments for solid tangible assets and were of a capital

The special commissioner had been trapped into error by finding that the company did not want the land as such but only the space above it. But it was the land together with the available, useable, air space that the company acquired. Those siles provided the places in

waste disposal the taxpayer company had to have places where it could get rid of the waste that it had contracted to

dispose of - namely air space.

But that air space was not an

item of property unrelated to the

The commissioner had erred in law in holding that the expenditure on the sites was of a revenue nature. The appeal would be allowed.

which it carried on its business.

Solicitors: Solicitor of Inland Revenue: Mr Roger W. Grey, Hammersmith.

Agreement to injure not essential

Metall und Robstoff AG v Donaldson Lufkin and Jen-Before Mr Justice Gatebouse

It was not an essential ingredithe sole or predominant purpose

set aside an order giving the plaintiffs. Metall und Robstoff AG, leave to serve proceedings out of the jurisdiction upon the fendants, Donaldson Lufkin and Jenrette Inc and AML Holdings Inc.

tween two or more people. Anthony Grabiner, QC and Mr Nicholas Stadien for second defendant.

MR JUSTICE GATEHOUSE said that his understanding of said that his understanding of Lord Diplock's speech in Lonrho Ltd v Shell Petroleum Co Ltd (No 2) ([1982] AC 173, 188) did nnl produce the result that predominant purpose to injure was an essential ingrediant of the tot

ent of the tort of conspiracy. Although phrases were used in certain passages which prima facie appeared to refer to all types of civil conspiracy, the House was considering only one type, the "conspiracy to injure n man in his trade or business", in which the act which caused the damage to the plaintiff would not be actionable in tort if committed by one person alone committed by one person alor but might become actionable if agreement or combination be-

It was that curious feature which Lord Diplock had io mind in describing it as an "anomalous tort". The House of Lords was not concerned with other types of civil conspiracy, such as the simple conspiracy to commit any other act which would be tortious if committed

by one person alone.

It would have been most Il would have been most surprising if the House of Lords had intended to alter radically tha nature of all those types of conspiracy which had long been recognized and were generally known as "illegal means' conspiracies, where predominant purpose had hitherto been immaterial. The subsequent speech of Lord Diplock in Hadmore Productions v Hamilton ([1983] 1 AC 191, 228) seemed to emphasize that conclusion.

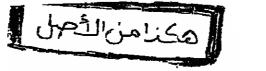
adhered to his interpretation, despite a decision of Mr Justice Hirst to the contrary in Allied Arab Bank v Hojjar (The Times March 11, 1988).

With diffidence, his Lordship

Solicitors: Herbert Smith; D.J. Freeman & Co; Freshfields.

Correction

tn Loveday v Renion (The Times March 31, 1988) counsel for the plaintiff were Mr Stanley Brodie, OC, Mr Michael Brent, QC, Mr John Friel and Miss



BETTING: 11-4 Weight Problem, 100-30 Backstreet Guy, 9-2 Bundle Boy, 8-1 Kittinger, 8-1 General Joy, 10-1 others.

3.30 BRONFIELD SAND & GRAVEL HANDICAP

17 39-P TUBBERTELLY 10 (D.F.G.S) P Byvan 11-10-D R Beggm 16 4PQ/ ADMIRAL GRENVILLE 946 (B.F.9) US M Tumpr 12-10-D R Goldstein

BETTING: 5-2 Bryma, 7-2 Larry-O, 4-1 Dunhallow Boy, 5-1 Mister Feathers, 8-1 Megabil, 10-1 others.

4.0 BODEN, GREEN, JACOBS & OLIVER HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £544; 3m) (18)

13 -P43 PLOT LANE 6 P Doggrell 11-11-12 M Doggrell (7) 14 DP/4 RODERICK ANTHONY 5 W Davies 10-11-12

BETTIMO: 2-1 Peace Clash, 100-30 Night Sale, 5-1 Rodenck Anthony, 13-2 Plot Land, 10-1 others.

4.30 DJ PROFILES NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE

1 1121 LEADING ROLE 19 (D.S) M PDG 4-12-1 (56x)... J Lower 3 2320 PRINCEABLE LADY 40 (D.S) N Gaseige 4-11-10 A Adams (7)

21 0027 ELEGANT BILL 15 (D.S) R Curis 5-10-11 ... R Goldstein.
22 -000 WALK IN RHYTHM 17 Mrs A Proc 7-10-11
26 0014 WHAT'S A GUIDEA 10 (G.S) R Holder 4-10-11 (Sax)
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Warning and Sanquirico, the current market leaders for this year's 2,000 Guineas, meet for the first time today in the Charles Heidsieck Cham-pagne Craven Stakes at Newmarket Also in the select field is a

third unbeaten colt, Doyoun, who must run well in receipt of 5lb if he is to have any chance of winning on equal terms in 16 days' time. However, I am loath to

(Michael Phillips)

desert Warning, whom Guy Harwood rates the best twoyear-old he has had in his care. Considering the material which has passed through his hands, that is praise indeed.

The question, which only a race will answer, is whether he is as good now that he has reached the age of three. The indications from Pulborough are that he is just as good, although his actual physique

By Mandarin

2.00 Undercut. 2.35 Bellefella. 3.10 Warning. 3.40 Dumphy's Special. 4.10 Stip And Suck.

4.40 Arc Lamp.

FORM UNDERCUT (9-13) ran on well when head 2nd to Sanguirico (8-13) at Ascot (1m, Group 9 £14176, good, Sep 26, 10 ran).

CARROLL HOUSE (8-12) beat Devizes (8-12) 1(at Newbury (1m, £8167, heavy, Oct 24, 16 cm).

ALBADR (8-8) driven out to beat Grand Tier (9-3) %4 at Sandown (1m, £3788, good to soft, Sep 22, 11

NORTHAN (9-0) KI 2nd to Charmer (9-0) at Newmerket with AHOY (9-0) 4% 6th and IRAN

BIG CHIEF (9-0) 2%(4th to Be My Fan (9-0) at Lingfield (7), £1814, good to soft, Nov 2, 13 rso).

HIGHLY ESTEEMED By Be My Guest out of Favoridge, Comes from an excellent family, the dam finished 3rd at the 1,000 guinees.

FORM SANGURICO (8-13) all out to beat undercut (8-13) a head at Accot with ALWHUSH (8-10) a neck 3rd and GALTZIN (8-10) behind in 8th (1m, Group II, £258849, good, sep 26, 10 ran).

WARNING (9-0) beat Always Feir (9-0) 11/1 at Doncaster (7f, Gp2, £32670, good, Sep 11, 4 ran).

ALWURIUSH (9-0) below per on final start when 15%!

2.15 Golden Acre. 2.45 Guymyson. 3.20 Soulful Strut.

£4,220: 7f) (15 runners)

Going: good

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may not please the critical.

I imagine that Sanquirico, who ended his two-year-old career by winning the Royal Lodge Stakes over a mile at Ascot, will cut out the running. For, if Steve Cauthen lets the race develop into a dawdle, it would simply play into Pat Eddery's hands on Warning.

Interestingly, the Harwood camp have a key line on Sanquirico through Undercut, who was beaten just a head in that nail-biting finish for the Royal Lodge.

While conceding that Sanquirico is a tough sort and seemingly incapable of run-ning a bad race, I still feel that Warning's finishing speed will tip the scales.

Apparently Doyonn's last important piece of work with Ten No Trumps on Saturday was so eye-catching, even in a snowstorm, that Warning will have to look to his laurels.

By Our Newmarket

Correspondent

2.35 Point House. 3.10 Sanguirico. 3.40 Greenhills Joy.

Draw: no significant advantage

SCAM (9-0) behind in 8th (71, £5170, good to firm, Oct 2, 23 ran).

STAGE LARK (9-5) 3l 3rd to Waldtai (9-2) at Windso (6l, £1706, good, Jun 28, 12 ran).

TOPSIDER MAN (8-11) short head 2nd to Noicinge (8-11) in Rome (1m, £21073, heavy, Nov 15, 9 ran).

VAYRUA (9-0) best Royal Borough (9-0) 31 at Leicester (1m, 21054, soft, Nov 3, 21 ran). Selection; UNDERCUT

VALIDATE (9-0) staying on 2 XI 3rd to Heroes Sasi (9-0) at Newmarket (6), 23444, good, Aug 5, 8 ran).

VERY ADJACENT (8-12) At 2nd to Indian Ridge (9-0) at Leicester (6f, £3730, soft, Oct 19, 8 ran).

lest of 6 to Emmson (9-0) at Doncaster (1m, Gp1, E46384, good, Oct 24, 6 ran). DOYOUN (9-0) comfortably best Defence Policy (9-0) 13/1 at Newmarket (71, 25072, good to firm, Oct 2, 13 ran).

GALITZIN (9-1) 1%(2nd to Upper Strata (8-7) at Newmarket (1m 2l, £9586, good to soft, Oct 31, 7 ran).

Selector: BELLEFELLA

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4.10 Slip And Stick. 4.40 ARC LAMP (nap).

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NEWMARKET

Selections

By Michael Seely

2.35 Tutor, 3.40 DUNPHY'S SPECIAL (62p), 4.40 Arc Lamp.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.00 UNDERCUT.

2.0 FEILDEN STAKES (Listed race: 3-Y-O: £10,063: 1m 1f) (11 runners)

1987: LEGAL BID 3-9-0 S Cauthan (5-11 bo) H Cool 6 ran

2.35 REMY MARTIN XO MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O colts & geldings:

ADONE (Studenown Ltd) L Camarii 9-0.

O AL MUNALHAL 187 (EF) (H Al-Mektoum) H Thomson Jones 9-0.

3204 BESLEFELA 224 (E Evans) C Nelson 9-0.

4- BIG CHEEF 464 (A Fluciol) Mrs L Piggott 9-0.

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O MY HEEF 271 (Dewinnsh Mustrooms) J Jenthus 9-0.

(2204 PERSIAN EMPERIOR 282 (June C Painting) R Homsoheed 9-0.

4- POINT HOUSE 211 (P Goulandin) L Camari 9-0.

3- RED PENGLI 278 (Jens P Telleright) John FESCRId 9-0.

SAN DOMENIO (Jers H Monton) G Wragg 9-0.

3- TUTOR 230 (EF) (Shelkh Mohemmed) J Durkop 9-0.

25- VALIDATE 250 (EF) (Shelkh Mohemmed) C Britain 9-0.

4322- VERY ADJACENT 178 (J Lumrercel) C Ling 9-0.

BETTING: 11-4 Belletella, 7-2 Highly Estoemed, 5-1 Point House, 6-1 Velidins, 5-1 Red Pencil, 10-1 Al Muhalbal, 12-1 Big Chief, 14-1 Tutor, 16-1 others.

FORM At MUHALHAL (8-0) 5%1 5th to Cruise Stup (9-0) at Newmarket (64, 23587, good, Oct 30, 15 ran).

POBRT HOUSE (8-0) 2%14th to Nicide Plated (9-0) at Yarmouth (77, £1272, good, Sep 16, 19 ran).

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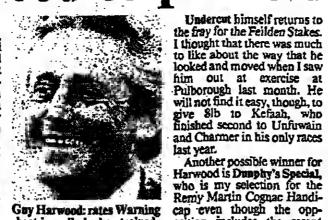
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3.10 CHARLES HEIDSIECK CHAMPAGNE CRAVEN STAKES (Group

BETTING: 6-5 Warring, 8-4 Sanquirico, 4-1 Doyoun, 7-1 Abechush, 25-1 Gaitzin. 1907: AJDAL 3-9-0 W Swinburn (6-5 fav) M Stocks 6 ram

III: 3-Y-O colts & geldings: £18,471: 1m) (5 runners)

301 (2) 11111- SANGUIRICO 201 (C.D.F.G.5) (C St George) H Cecil 9-0-303 (1) 1111- WARNING 216 (F.G.) (K Abdulin) G Herwood 9-0 20-4 (F.G.) (K Abdulin) G Herwood 9-0 20-4 (F.G.) (H Abduloum) J Duning 8-9 20-4 (F.G.) (T H A



Guy Harwood: rates Warning best juvenile he has trained

Alwahush, who finished just half a length behind Sanguirico at Ascot last September, renews rivalry on 51b better terms. However, there has to be an element of doubt about him following that appalling subsequent run in the William Hill Futurity at Doncaster where he finished last

51b. He, too, won first time out ast year. Twelve months ago, Willie

Another possible winner for

Slip And Stick, my selection

for the Ladbrokes Boldboy

Sprint Handicap, does not

Undercut himself returns to Jarvis took the wraps off a fast two-year-old when he saddled Colmore Row to win the EBF Stuntney Maideo Stakes. Now, I am led to believe, he has another promising sort in Arc Lamp.

My idea of the best bet of the day, though, is Backstreet Guy in the Sotheby's Handicap Chase at Ludlow, where he gained one of his three victories last season on the prevailing fast ground which he relishes.

I liked the way that he shaped first time out at osition includes the recent Haydock scorer, Greenhills Joy Last year, Dunphy's Spe-cial came to hand early, Sandown when he finished fourth behind Torside, Chief Ironside and A Boy Named

winning first time out at Bath. With only that race behind him, he has the advantage of being a fresh horse, an important factor at this late stage look harshly treated with 8st of the jumping season.

> Blinkered first time NEWMARKET: 4.10 Hard To Stop.

	3,40	AE	MY MAR	ITIN COGNAC HANDICAP (25,080: 1m 4f) (8 runners)	C 4
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	Regal	Ami	NO: 7-2 R	ousheyd, 9-2 Greenhillis Joy, 5-1 Dunphy's Special, 8-1 Professional Chemie Souris, 10-1 First Division. 1987: SARCHICOS 4-8-5 M Roberts (5-1) C Brittain 1D ran	iri, 7-1 Vouche
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FORM CHAUVE SOURIS (8-9) %1 2nd to Lemhill (9-7) at Hisydock (2m 28yd, \$3657, good, May 23, 8 ran). PROFESSIONAL GRIL (8-4) best effort a 1%1 defeat of Fleeting Affair (8-4) at York (1m 4f, £7544, good to Solt, Aug 20, 6 ram).

ROUSHAYD (8-11) best offert when besting Boca Tower (8-12) a head at Ascot (1m 41, 264162, good, Sept 25, 16 ran) with PRIST DIVISION (8-13) Out of the first nine. DUNPHY'S SPECIAL (9-0) 3%1 3rd to Angel Chy (8-12) at Goodwood (1m 61, 19285, good to term, July 28, 8 ran). GREENHALLS JOY (9-13) best Crancheser (8-1) 11/4 at Haydock (1m 4L, E3132, heavy, Apr 2, 11 ran). FIRST DIVISION (8-11) not clear run when a length 2nd to Milton Burn (7-7) at Kempton (1m 4f, E3111, good, Apr 8, 11 ran).

VOUCHSAFE (9-2) 21 2nd to Woodpacker (9-0) at Newbury (1m 3t, £7200, heavy, Oct 24, 11 ran). REGAL AMBITION (8-11) best effort when 8I 4th to Kribensis (9-11) at Santiown (1m 3I 100yd, £3423, good, May 26, 12 ran).

4.10 LADBROKES BOLDBOY SPRINT HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £5,626: 61) (16 runners)

507	(5)	031113-	PEA GREEN 217 (F, C) (G Greenwood) R Akehurit 9-7	J Reid	
502	(11)	00134-0	PORT OF LIGHT 10 (CD,G) (T Ramadari) G Levis 8-12	Paral Eddery	- 1
503	(10)		APTITUDE 182 (F,G) (Prince Y Saud) 8 Hais 8-8		
504	(9)		LUSTY LAD 278 (BF,F,G) (A Walder) M Haynes 8-6		
	(15)		SLIP AND STICK 170 (C.D.F) (O Zavawi) B Harbury 8-5		
	(n)		SONILLA 196 (D.F.S) (J Law) R Holder 8-2		- 1
	(14)		PORTVASCO 159 (CO,5) (Mrs H Keswick) P Wateryn 8-1		-
	(12)		SEACH RATTLE 167 (D,G) (O Waller) P Walwyn B-1		
	ď		FAG IN HAND 19 (D,G) (Mrs M Hagges) W Hagges 8-0		
	(16)		ISLA BRIDGE 21 (D.F.G) (J Etherton) J Payne 8-0.		- 7
	(8)		MAC'S FIGHTER 173 (B,CD,F) (M McDonnell) IN O'Gorman 7-12		- 6
	(13)		BAJAN BESS 250 (F,G) (Mrs J Huristone) John FitzGerald 7-11		
614	(3)		CRAFTY CHRIS 203 (D.F.G) (F Kalla) N Callagnan 7-8		- 7
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516	(3)		MASTER PALISHOUSE 12 (D,S) (P Jackson) P Kelleway 7-7		
517	(4)	040210-	ASHLAR BOY 160 (S) (S Reakes) R Hollinghead 7-7		
513	(6)	01490-0	HARD TO STOP 12 (V,S) (Pener Shilton Lad) R Hannon 7-7	T Williams	- 1
L	ong h		Master Palehouse 7-4, Ashier Boy 7-3, Hard To Stop 7-3.		

BETTING: 100-30 Mester Palehouse, 9-2 Slip And Stick, 11-2 Aptitude, 7-1 Portvasco, Simon Rattie, 8-1 Fag In Hand, Crafty Chris, 10-1 Sonita, 12-1 others. 1967: SPITZABIT 3-7-11 R Fox (8-1) Pal Mitchell 12 ran

FORM PEA GREEN (8-11) best effort a %t defeat of Blues Indigo (6-8) at Newbury (51, 29334, good to 5mm, Aug 15, 9 ran). POINT OF LIGHT (8-11) best effort when %13rd to lockmuren (8-6) at Ayr (5), £13147, good to soft, Sept 17, 10 ran). LUSTY LAD (9-6) a head 2nd to Director's Choice (9-3) at Lingslaid (6), £3831, good to firm, July 11, 4 ran).

PORTVASCO (8-3) best Shabenez (7-12) 31 here (61, £8363, good to soft. Oct 15, 13 nm) with APTITUDE (8-10) 2% (4th and FAG N HAND (8-7) % (5th. MAC'S FIGHTER (7-7) best effort a short head bearing of Clessy Turn (9-3) here (61, £10394, fkm, Oct 3, 15 ran). MASTER PALEHOUSE (8-2) 3/ 2nd to Tyrisin Belle (8-0) at Kempson (81, E3175, soft, Apr 2, 18 ran) with HARD TO STOP (8-1) well behind. ASHLAR BOY (9-0) best Mine's A Double (9-0) at Catterick (51, 22238, good to soft, Oct 17, 15 ran). Selection: PORT OF LIGHT

SLIP AND STICK (9-4) best effort a short head defeat of APTITUBE (9-7) here (54, 25836, good to firm. Oct 1, 15 ran) with SONELA (9-2) 1/3 3rd and HARD TO STOP (8-7) well behind. A.40 EBF STUTNEY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O colts & geldings: £2,898: 51) (10 runners)

STEELE'S (K ALSaid) N Calaghari 9-0 SUPERPOWER (Mrs P Yong) W O'Gormen 8-0. WINDSOR PARK (The Cuber) W Hashings Basts 9-0. YOUNG ASPIRATION (M Hapker) John FitzGerald 9-0. ---- Pat Eddery Swinburn R Hills THG: 13-8 Windsor Park, 15-8 Arc Lamp, 9-2 Steele's, 8-1 Superpower, 14-1 Shelith's Pat.

1987: COLMORE ROW 9-0 B Raymond (7-2 jt-fav) W Jarvis 11 ran

ARC LAMP (toeled: Mar 15) half-brother to 8-10f winner Lady Sophie and 7-10f winner Kings Glory. BACHELOR'S PET (foeled: Feb 27, cost: IR3,200gns) is the first foel of moderate 5f mare. CRONK'S COURAGE (toxico: Mar 19 cost; IRT,000gms) is a half-brother to several winners in both America and Berglum. SAGLAWY (tosled: Mer 30.cost: 9,000gris) half-brother to 1m winner Willow Red and 5t scorer Rying Dolphin.

SHERCH'S PET (foiled: Mar 24, cost: IR20.000gns) is a full-brother to sharp 1985 juvenile Aluminy's Secret as well as useful 51 performer Mi Favorita. SUPERPOWER (foeled: Feb 15, cost: 24,000gns) is a half-brother to Florentynna Bay, a 51 winner last season. a manufacture in a security of the second security is a half-brother to useful 1965 juvenile Roundet. Dan related to top class Highdere and alre won Kentucky Derby and Selmont States. Selection: WINDSOR PARK

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3.20 CLARKE WILLMOTT & CLARKE HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,771: 2m 150yd) (15

Selections By Mandarin 3.50 Mamamere. 4.20 Crowecopper. 4.50 A Lad Insane.

Guide to our in-line racecard Resecuted number. Draw in brackets. Sb-figure distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in form (F – tell. P – pulled up. U — unseated rider. B – brought down. S – sipped up. R – retused. F – firm, good to 1/rm, hard. G – good. D – disquasified. Horse's name. Days since last soft, good to soft, reservy). Owner in outlags, J ff samps. F if flat. (B – blackers. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider vision. H – hood. E – Byeshald. C – course plus any allowance. The Yimea Private winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and Handicapper's rating.

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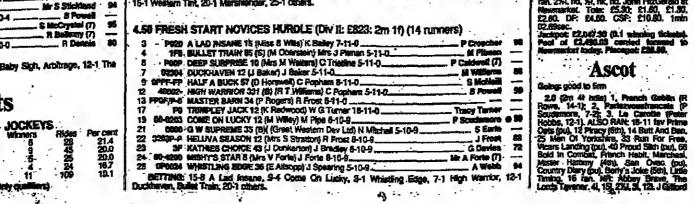
2.15 FRESH START NOVICES HURDLE (Div I: £816: 2m 17) (14 runners)

BETTING: 15-8 Golden Acre, 7-2 Royal Battery, 5-1 Camoriel, 6-1 Lizzy Longstockings, 10-1 Morning Exchange, 20-1 others. 1987: MEETING ABANDONED - FROST 2.45 NELODY MAN HANDICAP HURDLE (E2,530: 2m 1f) (12 runners) 9 10011-4 SICKEMMAN 10 (F,G) (B Dowling) J Speering 5-11-10.
11 0P000P ARBITRAGE 28 (CD,S) (D Bay) B Forsey 7-11-8.
12 110002 GUTHYSON 21 (D,BF,F) (M Pipe) M Pipe 5-11-7.
13 11/144-0 DERBY DAY 10 (F,G) (G Pipe) G Pite 7-11-6.
16 F-00P00 SWIFT ASCENT 10 (D,FS) (I Wilsons) A Barrow 6-11-2.
17 180040 DICKS FOLLY 6 (B,CD,FG,S) (Ms M Bisgrove) R Hodges 6-11-0.
19 402-28F COURTLANDS GIRL 10 (CD,F) (M Saunders) W Fisher 6-10-11.
22 PASSOD BARY SIGH 16 (D,G) (G Stickland) G Sickland 6-10-7.
23 24-0908 SPARIOLER SPEET 55 (D,G) (Speridor Fisher Loop P Balley 7-10-4.
24 1000P/6 PALLETINE 10 (F) (T Parrott) Mrs H Parrot 7-10-0.
25 1000P/6 PALLETINE 10 (F) (T Parrott) Mrs H Parrot 7-10-0.
26 1012P-F0 LONDORI CONTACT 7F (CD,F) (W Wilsons) W R Wilsons 5-10-0.
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BETTRIC: 11-4 Gaynnyson, 7-2 Bickerman, 11-2 Countands Girl, 6-1 Baby Sigh, Arbitrage, 12-1 The Enid, 14-1 Derby Day, 16-1 others.

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123233 QUICKSTEP 21 (B.D.S) (M Pipe) M Pipe 7-11-10_

Going: good

Long handicap: Scotish Air 9-6, Laurenbei 9-3, Fib 9-3, Be My Luck 9-2, Carol's Music 8-10, Cutting Edge 8-10. BETTING: 3-1 Donavan's Choice, 7-2 Outdustep, 4-1 Southul Strut, 6-1 Deep Ridge, 10-1 Scots Nogger 12-1 Norstop, Fada, Fib, 20-1 others. 1.50 APRIL CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICES SELLING HURDLE (4-Y-O: £620; 2m

11) (10 tunners) 020001 MAMAMERE 8 (D.G) (F Petcher) S Cole 10-12 PG ALDINGTON KED 44 (C Wheatley) C Trietine 10-10... 900 GHAWWAS 40 (BF) (F Faint) M Phys 10-10 04002 F RIPSTER 14 (P) (J Nobard) Miss S Wilson 10-10... 9000 SNO SURPRISE 14 (Miss 8 Davies) D White 10-10... P Calchest — 80
R Macrifiace © 99
S Devices — GEP LIMITY FARM BOT 10F (B) (Linky Farm Hot Cen Lid) P Hobbs 10-10—
0300 MAJD MALEEN 15 (C Wildman) C Wildman 10-5.
0000 SEPTEMBER SNAP 7F (R Wright) 6 Servens 10-5.
2000P VALVERDE 110 (B) (C Pester) W G Turner 10-5.
PP VERBUR 17F (J M Bradley) J M Bradley 10-5. _ D Hood R Vaughen — M Stevens — Tracey Turner 95 SETTERS: 6-4 Chawwes, 2-1 Mamamere, 6-1 Valverde, 12-1 Maid Malean, 14-1 Sno Surprise

4.20 HUSBANDS HANDICAP CHASE (E2,108: 3m) (14 runners) Litarvey 6 98 Long headlose: Good investment 9-4.

BETTING: 5-2 Cornedy Lane, 3-1 The Floorisyer, 7-2 Lactor, 5-1 Crowecopper, 11-1 Chartie's Cottage, 15-1 Western Tint, 20-1 Marshander, 25-1 others.

LUDLOW

Selections By Mandarin

2.0 Our Tilly 2.30 Carminda, 3.0 BACKSTREET GUY (nap), 3.30 Duhallow Boy. 4.0 Peace Clash. 4.30 Leading Role. Brian Beet's selection; 4.0 Krystle Saint.

Going: good to firm

2.0 HALL, WATERIDGE & OWEN SELLING HURDLE (£610; 2m) (20 runners)

BETTENS: 11-4 Parsenka, 9-2 Legal Coin, 6-1 Miss Apex, 8-1 Cornec Prince, Fingers Crossed, 10-1 others. 230 TOTE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,359: 2m 5f) (8)

7 3000 PROSE HZLL 20 (C.G) D Barons 6-11-7 M Howke (7)
13 0 ARTIC TREASURE 47 J Chung B-11-0 G Marangh
15 1000 BOLD RIVER 47 M Clear B-11-0 R Dumenod;
28 2250 PVLEIGH COURT 15 8 Smart-6-11-0 R Dumenod;
34 PPOD AWANGEN 12 (P) Mas 5 Dolwer 7-10-9 J Dungsen
36 -000 BRANSFORD 10 Res 5 Oliver 7-10-9 S Lovejoy (7)
37 -030 CARDINOLA 19 N Handerson 8-10-9 J White
40 P/ PAMELA WOULD 700 L Codd 8-10-8

BETTING: 11-10 Carminda, 3-1 - Pride Hill, 5-1 Pyleigh IT, 5-1 Awaneen, 14-1 Arctic Treasure, 15-1 others. COURT, 8-1 AWA 3.0 SOTHEBY'S HANDICAP CHASE (£1,725: 3m)

4 02-4 BACKSTREET GUY 55 (CO.F.G.5) N Henderson 9-11-70 J White 7 4303 GENERAL JOY 9 (D.F.5) D Nicholson B-11-4 R Duriwoodly 0 2P21 KITTINGER 12 (C.O.S) A Turnell 7-11-3 (Ser)
Steve Knight
6 1402 WEIGHT PROBLEM 42 (B.F.S) P Bevan 11-18-13 T Wall
11 3F4F BURDLE BOY 34-(CD.G.S) T Forster 10-10-8. H Davies
13 2404 EMPERIAL CHAMPAGNE 9 (G.S) Miss J Thome
8-10-6 M Davie

Course specialists

PERTH

Selections

By Mandarin 2.15 Timminion. 2.45 Rosskova. 3.15 Laid Back. 3.45 Trusty Friend. 4.15 Brother Geoffrey. 4.45

2.15 BREADALBANE NOVICES HURDLE (DIV &

1 0031 STAYHAR GOLD 22 (D.S) J S Wilson 6-R-5... M Dwyer 3 0-P0 BARJAN NS T Barnes 5-10-12... G Markin 4 -000 BRANDON PER 110 J Edwards 5-18-12..... T Morgan 5 CKARCOAL 633F T Cunningham 5-18-12...

4 -000 BRAKEON PRES. 1 Cuntingfram 5 - S Canningfram 5 - CHARCOAL 633F T Cuntingfram 5 - S Canningfram 5 - CHARCOAL 633F T Cuntingfram 5 - S Canningfram 5 - CHARCOAL 633F T Cuntingfram 6 - CHARCOAL 633F T Cuntingfram 6 - CHARCOAL 633F T CUNTINGFRAM 6 - CHARCOAL 6 - C

5 1P90 SOLDIER OF DESTRIY 9 (8.10,G) P Blookley

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9 0-00 MASTER LAMB ES (CD.F.) Jetterson 9-10-8; M Dwyset

10 940 GOODUNOY 25 (D.G) W Storry 5-10-6... Flore Blookley

11 2200 SPECIAL SETTLEMENT 18F (CD.S) R Aban 7-10-0

12 200P SPECIAL SETTLEMENT 18F (CD.S) R Aban 7-10-0

BETTING: 7-2 Rosskova, 9-2 Solent Lad, 5-1 Atkinsons, 13-2 Germano, 15-2 Master Lamb, 6-1 Always Dangerous.

3.15 TOTE CREDIT NOVICES CHASE (£2,745: 3m)

BETTING: 11-8 Polar Nomad, 7-4 Magic Motion, 100-30 Laid Back, 10-1 Fair Echo, 18-1 Insh Guest, 20-1 others.

3.45 BREADALBANE NOVICES HURDLE (Div (C.

2 3-1 TRUSTY FRIEND 17 (D.5) J Edwards 5-11-6. T Morgan 3 FPD4 LADY WINDAWAL 7F (CD.0) 8 Servins 5-11-0 R Stronge 5 000 BORDER SPARK 12 G W Richards 5-18-12... J Hannen

19 PPO NR COFFEY 22 C Parker 5-10-12 ... 17 49 NRCORDGE 50 D McCain 8-10-12 ... 20 P SANA SONG 15F C PARKER 5-18-12. 22 000 SOUTHERN MARSTREL 9 W A Steph

Green Tops. Going: good

£685: 2m) (18)

TRANIERS: T Forster, 13 winners from 44 runners, 29.5%, N Gaselee, 4 from 14, 28.6%, J King, 5 from 19, 25.3%, M Pipe, 11 from 42, 25.2%; B Preece, from 58, 18.4%; K Balley, 5 from 29, 17.2%. 17.2%.
IOCKEYS: J Lower, 3 winners from 19 ndes, 30.0%; H Davies, 12 from 48, 26.1%; G McCount, 3 from 15, 20.0%; P Warner, 7 from 61, 11.5%; C Smith, 5 from 45, 11.1%. (Only qualifiers).

BETTING: 13-8 Trusty Friend, 5-1 Doubtless, 11-2 Cheeky Tico, 7-1 Threepland, 6-1 Megan's Move. 4.15 STRATHEARN HANDICAP CHASE (21,335: 2m 4f) (12)

(1) 41) (12)
1 4033 CENTRE ATTRACTION 9 (D,F,G,S) G W Fichards
9-11-12.L O'Here(7)
2 4243 WISE CRACKER 19 (B,F,G,S) P Blockley 7-11-11
P Niven 4 2102 BROTHER GEOFFREY 31 (CD,BF,G.S) C Thorrison 9-11-5 D Wildinson 5 1042 GOWAN HOUSE 9 (D.F.G.S) W.A. Stephenson 9-11-5 C Grant 9 23-P CLONSHARAGH 22 (D.F.) A Macaggart 12-10-9 7 2404 TROMEROS 9 (CAF,F,G) Donys Smith 7-10-7 9 1201 BORLEAFRAS 1D (F,S) D Molfatt B-10-5 (4ex) K Ryen (4)

BETTRACE 5-2: Highlight, 7-2 Stayhar Gold, 4-1 Crash Market, 5-1 Timerinion, 8-1 Nicondge, 10-1 Victor Herbert. 13 0230 SNOW BLESSED 5 (D.F.G.S) C Alexander 11-10-0J German(T) 14 1000 MILITARY CROWN 20 (F.G.S) M Avison 11-10-0 245 CHARLES CAMPBELL HANDICAP HURDLE

2.45 CHARLES COURT 18 (CLC.S) J Hanson 8-47-11 (8ex)
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£1,100: 2m 4l) (19) 3 PB4- IMPECUMIOSITY 425 (G,S) J S Wilson 8-11-10 4 001- COOL RECEPTION 397 (S) J Hanson 7:11:10
A Costello (7) 5 1900 SOLDIER OF DESTINY 9 (B.G) P Blockey 6-11-8 7 4001 GREEN TOPS 10 IS) M Avison 6 11-6 (6ex) S Swiere(7) 10-U2-0 HASTY MAPORT 6 (D,F) T Robson 9-11-4

6 Storey

14 0412 SOLENT LAD 12 (D.BF.G.S) 6 Stovens 5-10-0

19 D022 REVISIONE: 10 (D.F) 1 Parkes 6-10-0

19 D029 BAYTOWN COKE 10 P BOCKIN 8-10-0

W Switch (4) 12 001P POLISH KNIGHT & (G) A Brown 6-11-1 NON-RUNNER 15-4230 CHEEKY TICO 19 Mass Z Green 8-18-12 NON-RUNNER 16-2310 SILLY BEGGAR 10 (G) Denys Smith 5-18-12 18 0000 MAJOR ROUGE 3 (B.D.F) J Chierton 8-18-10
P A Ferret (4)
21 0800 COMOR'S ROCK 6 (D.F) Mes A Aiden 8-10-0 S Salby (7)
22 0004 HABAT'S MELODY 15 Mrs D Cultism 7-10-0 A Orliney. 16 3008 ARCTIC RYMES 10 Miss J Eaton 5-10-9 Miss L Eaton (7)

28 00/0 THELMAS SECRET 3 (D.G.S) T Barnes 11-15-7 T Mo

32 8-PP SANDMOOR PRINCE 33 A McPherson 5-18-7
34 8000 COOL REBEL 3 Miss M Bell 4-18-7 — C Sample(4)
35 FP00 SOFT CENTRE 10 R Johnson 8-10-7 K Johnson (7)
36 0000 CROMACH 22 Miss H Hamilton 6-10-8 A Parker (7)
37 0003 MAGIC ECHO 10 S Payne 8-10-7 Mrs J Thurlow (7)
BETTING: 4-1 Silly Beggsr. 5-1 Cool Reception, 11-2 Green
Tops, 7-1 Polish Knight, 15-2 Arctic Rymes.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: T Curvingham, 3 winners from 8 runners, 33,3%; G Richards, 19 from 59, 32,2%; R McDanald, 3 from 11, 27,3%; J Cowards, 4 from 15, 67%; W A Stephenson, 12 from 48, 25,0%; D Molfatt, 3 from 12, 25,0%; JOCKEYS: M Dwyer, 6 winners from 15 rides, 40.0%; P Tuck, 14 from 46, 30.4%, N Doughty, 9 from 36, 25.0%; M Hammond, 6 from 28, 21.4%; C Grant, 14 from 70, 20.0% B Storey, 6 from 53, 15.1%.

£685: 2m) (18)

Going good

2.0 (6f) 1, SLEEPY NOUNTAIN (Pat Eddery, 11-19 fav); 2, Empire Joy (C Aemussen, 18-1); 3, Israr (R Hits, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Seara Show (5th), 10 Maturar (4th), 12 Oriental Charm (6th), 16 Groombridge, 20 La Fonda, 33 Scalan Swing, Agate, 10 rao, 91, 48, 13, 11, 61, 8 Hardbury at Newmarket, Tose: E2-20, E1-20, E5-10, E7-60, 07: E22-80, CSF: £19-65, 1min 14-65-90;

14.65sec.

2.35 (1m) 1, ALQUOZ (Pat Eddery, Evens favt; 2, Luzaz (G. Starkey, 33-1); 3, Postessero (M. Rhmore, 33-1); ALSO RAM: 4 Crossed Secrots (eth.), 10 Tathozan, 14 Razeen (8th), Reflect (5th), 16 Crown Seal, Turketh Tourist; 25 Courageous Bidder, Sundaysport Scoop, 33 Denehurst, Macaroni Bay, Mel a Rose, Mourtain Shadow, Usurper, Placescourt Star, Nar. 18 rah. shid, 151, 154, 34, 21, J. Dunlop at Anundel, Totes: 22.00; £1.40, £5.30, £1.60. DF-26.80, CSF. 247,50, Irmin 41,17sec. After a stewards inquiry the result remained utaliered.

statemed.

3.5(7) 1, LAPIERRE (M Roberts, 10-1); 2. Charmer (W Carson, 9-2); 3, Heroes Sash (R Cochrand, 8-1), ALSO RAN; 11-4 fav Al Mutis (56th), 9-2 See Symphony. 10 Catoworth, 14 Poseda (44th), Young Heil (6th), 33 List For Power, 8 ran, 11, 151, 255, nk, 151, C Britishin at Newmarket, 100cc 98-70; 21-40, 52-20, 52-70, DF: E13-50, CSF: 547-27. Tricast: 5305-16. Timin 27-51sec. 247.27. Tricist: £305.16. Imm 27.61sec.
3.49 (Im 6f) 1, PRIVATE AUDITION (6)
Carter, 13-2; 2, Faille, (Pet Eddery, 4-1); 3, Shanahaki (C.Asmussen, 11-1), ALSO RAN:
7-2 fav Pat Glones (Hb), 6 Khefa King (6th), 11 Trapeze Arjest, 12 Sudden Victory (5th), 18 Ebolab, 20 'All is Revenied, 25 Troum War, 33 Haleanor, 11 ran, 3, 11, 51, 11, 25, 1. M Tomptins at Newmarket, Total:
95.70 (2-20, 61.90, 2-20, DF, 2-20, CSF-228,81, Tricias: 2247.44, 3min 03.85sec.

E28.81. Tricase: 2247.44. 3min 03.85sec., 4.10 (im 1h) 1, MEDIA STARGHEST (R Cochrane, 7-4 fav); 2, Bengul Fire (M Roberts, 33-1); 3, Shady Heights (W Carson, 9-2), ALSO RAN: 15-2 Scarlet Black, 8 fan No Trumps, 6 Prince Busert, 14 Amerigo Vespucci, Vegue Shot (5th), 20 Partuach (8th), 25 bin Standard, Cry For The Clown (401), 11 ran, 251, 32, mi, 2, 351. L Currant at Newmarket, Toler 22.50; 21.30, 23.60; 21.40, DF-237.40, CSF-247.35, 1min 51.90sec.

A.40 (S) 1, DESERT DAWN (R Hills, S-1);
2, Westrain (Pat Eddery, 6-5 fav); 3, Shine
Again (M Hills, 5-1), ALSO RAN: 7 Flowery
(Ath), 14 Our Music, Birmingham's Pride
(Br); 20 Oriental Splandour, 25 (so (Sth), 8;
ran, 291, hd, ½1, nk, hd, John FitzGerald at
Resmarket. Tota: £5.30; £1.60, £1.30,
£2.60. DP: £4.60. CSF: £10.60. 1 min
(2.69sec. 02,695ec. Justipot: 22,047.50 (B.1 winning tickets). Peol of 22,490.03 carried forward to Newsparket Index, Placepot: 226.60.

Ascot

DF: E7.60. CSF: £99.63.

230 (3m: ch) 1. DIRECT APPROACH (R. Rowe, 5-1); 2. Cheeky Rupert (R. Beggan, 7-2 Jay); 3. Vick The Buster (G. McCourt, 7-1), ALSO FAN: 13-2 Frenchmans Fancy (pu), 8. Swirt Home (Stu), 10 Ar. Broker (ur), Corn Merchant, Devil's Arrow (pu), 14 Roving Glen (pu), 20 Ah Helio (f), 25 Alain, Jazzaf (8th), 35 Giotaning (pu), Green Ridge, Prince Victar (pu), Marita Ann (pu), 19 ran, NR: Chief Bucksneer, 8, 29, 451, 8, 194. J. Gifford at Findon, Toes: 23.60, 21.70, 22.00, 22.40, DF: 27.10, CSF: 223.14. 3.5 (2m 4/ ch) 1; BALLYHANE (F Rowe, 11-2); 2; Royal Stag (H Davies, 4-1); 8; Highway Express (S Earle, 6-1); ALSD RAN: 3 law Sanu Derak (pu), 4 Kescast, 11-2 Kelly's Boy (Sti), 8 mm. 10, 12, 5(dist. J Gifford at Findon, Took £4.50; 22.10, £2.10, DF: 27.30, CSF: 224.44.

DP. 27.30. CSF: 224.44.

2.35 (2m hole) 1, FRED THE TREAD (R Durwoody, 20-1): 2, Zwito (M Perrett; 12-1); 3, Convinced (P Scuderings, 7-2 try). ALSO, RAM: 4 Fuego Boy, Praisins Metic (eth), 17-2 Lettle Toro. 9 Domerc (5th), 10 The A Train (pu), 12 Meringi (pu), 20 Andres Dewn, Spring Pight (5th), 11 ran. NR: Regal Castle, 11, 12, 37, 12, 17 Casey at Adstore. Total: 217.30; 23.20, 24.30, 22.00, UF. 217.71.9, CSF: 2211.67, Tricast: 2507.13. 4.5 (3m Indie) 1, StVAIPS CHORCE (8 Powell, 13-2); 2, Noble Vitting (P Scudemors, 40-1); 3, Chemist Broker (I Shoemark, 5-1 law), ALSO: 11-2 High Renown (pul, 9 Kamrise (pul, 7 Mologoc, 15-2 Ranetsch (5th), 12 Fingest (4th), GaRant Buck (pul, 14 Prince Klenk (pul, 20 Boachendel (6th), 50 Another Traup, 65 Mariners Dream (pul, 13 rtn. 3, 62, 20, 8, 201. C Popham at Taumton, Tota: 27,50; 23,00, 22,26, 51,80, DF: £100,70, CSF.

LNS.14. Incast chi 1, I GOT STUNG (Mr M Amyrage, 5-4); 2, Valeso (Mr A Sansome, 12-1); 3. Gentle Appreach (Mr A Sansome, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 11-6 fav Certali Light (ur), 7 Orive On Jimmy (4th), 33 Henry Kissinger (5th), 66 Keny Jack (6th), Ribot Star, Water Rock (put), 9 ran, NR; Roodle Doodle, 12), hd, %, 15, %, J Delahootle at Busknoham, Tole: \$2.70; \$1.30, \$1.90, \$1.30, DF: \$11.20, CSR; \$18.35.

21.30. DF: £11.20. CSF: £18.35.

5.15 (2m Bet) J., ROUGH JEWEL (Mr A Kright, 33-17; 2, De Train (J. Leech, 2-1 try); 3, Argiet Teal (Mr D Berineyworth, 11-2; ALSO RANE 6 Nor., 8 Fathom it Out (4th.) 9 Roches Roote; 10 Cythere (8th.) 14 Kelly's Insurance. 16 Runnible. 20 Cock A Leete, King's Seat. Speriding Halo. 25 Dandy Minster, Raughty Nick; Northcown Led. 38 in Order (5th.) Jay Jay's Voyage, Jimmy Cone, Star Lane, Sharinda, Sweet Sage. Home On Sunday, Dancing Bies, Sharborne Lady, Stone Madness, Toton Tenes. 26 ran. NR: Enture Street, Glamis, Watking Up, Granye Palace. 44, 41, 31, 51, do. S Dow at Guittford. Tota: 277. 10; 213.60. £1-70. £280. DF: £199.10. CSF: £106.38. Phacepot: £289.00

Ripon

Going: good 20 (1m) 1, Causiny (M Lynch, 5-4 fav); 2. Gorky Park (4-1); 3. Sibblebeen (11-1), 11 ran, MR: Heartsease, 3: 51. B McMahon. Tone: 22.01; 51.60; 27.50, 27.90, DP: 23.90, CSF: 28.11, Wanner bought in for 7,600gns. 2.30 (5) 1. Rumanway (P Burine, 10-1); 2. Caymple: Challenger (13-2); 3. Mendrato Mactem (16-1); 4. Securepaire Boy (5-1 tay). 23 ms. NR; Roker Roar, 34, 37 Ac. C. Tinider. Total: £10.40; 24.10, £1.40, £7.80.

Newmarket results of: 617.60. CSF: £59.63. 3.0 (1m) 1. Cracide Moor (D Nicholis. 7-4 tav); 2. Silver's Gat (6-1); 3. Yorkshire Princess (5-1). 12 ran. sh hd, 1%, M W Easterby Total: 23.0; £1.60, £2.00. DF: £19.10. CSF: £18.41. No bid. 3.30 (1m 4f) 1, Pathero (P Burke, 10-1); 2, Boau Bertz (5-1); 3, Sifk Thread (7-2 fav); 4, Taylormade Boy (14-1), 20 ren. 2%, 5, N Bycroft, Tota: 215.00; E2-90, 21.50, 21.50, 21.40, 23.30, DF: 227.10, CSF: 259.27, Trices: 2199.78. 4.0 (1m) 1. Thomas Leog (M Viigham, 5-1 ii-lav); 2. Gided Youth (12-1); 3. Genair (13-2); 4. Good Medicine (8-1). Both Patrick 5-1 ii-lav, 20 ran, 3; %i. M Brittsin, Tost: £4.40; 21.50, £4.30, £1.70, £2.00. DF: £57.50. CSF: £58.58. Tricasa: £580.71

4.36 (5f) 1, Jungo Dyke (G Quiffield, 100-30 fav); 2, Marching Star (8-1); 3, Squirsky (5-1), 13 ran. NR: Tenderline, 5l, rk. C Taylor, 70er 24.80; 51.40, 52.80, 52.10. DF: £21.40. GSF: £35.40. 5.0 (1m 1f) 1. Bildnet (W Newmes, 9-1); 2. Rambo Dencer (4-5 tav); 3. Dalgan (5-1). 18 ran. NR: Wewerley Boy, Off The Record. rist, 15i. H. Candy. Tote: £5.40; 21.80, 22.30, '21.10. DF; 210.80, CSF; 215.76. 5.3n (5/1) 1, Command Bld (M Birch, 5-1); 2, Blue Bell Music (7-4 jr-fav); 3, Kafu Lady (7-4 jr-fav), 13 ran. NR: Belle Express. 1%, 1%1. M H Eastarby, Tota: £4.50; £1.10, £1.70, £1.50. DF; £6.30, CSF; £18.19. Placepot: £15.59

Perth

2.15 (2m hdle) 1, Flaming Pearl (M Stevens, 8-1); 2, Maw Broon (6-1); 3, Night Visitor (3-1 fav), 14 ran. NR: Misry Miraga. 2%1, 3f, B Stevens, Total: 28.60; 22.20, 22.10, 21.40, DP: 260.30, CSF: 256.54, Tricast: 2167.04. 2.45 (2m ch) 1, Sefectal (Ar Bevan, 6-4 fav); 2, Tactico (4-1); 3, Queens Palace (20-1); 6 ran. 3l, dist. B Presca. 7ote: £2.30: £1.50, £1.60. DF: £3.50. CSF: £7.24. 3.15 (2m 41ch) 1, Harley (G Lyons, 6-4); 2, Bronged Spar (20-1); 3, Four Trix (11-8 fav). 9 ran. 71, 21. Miss J Eaton. 7ote: \$2.70; £1.50, £5.00. £1.60. DF: £68.20. CSF: 27.37.

3.45 (2m hdle) 1, Rhear Bed (7 Morgan, 11-8 tav): 2. Market Spirit (11-1): 3, Haltpross (11-2), 7 ran. NPs Lottle's Fury, Bobbie Stack. 71, 61, J Edwards, Totes 22.30; £1.10, £2.20, DF: £5.20, CSF: £14.25. 4.15 (3m ch) 1, Royal Reply (T Reed, 2-1); 2, Newstand (3-1); 3, Adure (Evens 14v), 3 rgn, 10), 8l, W Reed, Toto: £2.90, DF: £2.70,

4.45 (3m hdle) 1, Bishopdale (C Grant, 13-8 (av); 2, Kristenson (8-2); 3, Doughty Revel (4-1), 5 ran, NR: Porest Ranger, 27, 7, W A Sarphenson, Tote: £1.80; £1.40, £1.90, £7: £6.30, CSF: £8.75, Placepot: £22.40.

· Michael Hammond has withdrawn his appeal against the two-day suspension given to him by the Liverpool stewards last week for unnecessary use of the whip. The ban has cost him the wnip. The can has cost unit.
the ride on Hardy Lad in Saturday's William Hill Scottish National. The appeal was due to be heard by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee today.

West Indies look to Richards in a time of need

From Richard Streeton, Port of Spain

of Richards and Marshall to restore both form and a helief in themselves when the second Cable and Wireless Test maich against Pakistan starts here today. It is many years since a West Indies team at home were so comprehensively outplayed as they were in the first Test match at

Inevitably, the entire cricket world will be wondering whether a long period of dominance is about to end, with West Indies possibly losing a series in the Caribbean for the first time since 1972-73. Ian Chappell's Australians were the winners tben, by 2-0 with three draws, against Rohan Kanhai and a West Indies team, who lacked Gary Sobers for the first time in two decades.

Compared with Guyana earlier this month, West Indies will be much stronger today. It is still asking a great deal of Richards and Marshall, however, to rise to a challenge that is as stiff as any they have faced in their careers. Richards has practised bard this week hut he has not played a match since his abscess operation on March 13. Whether be makes runs or not. West Indies will benefit from having their regular cap-

tain back at the belm. Marshall remains noocommittal about his fitness and this game might decide whether an operation is necessary for a bone growth on the knee. Marshall was declared fit to play in the final one-day international two weeks ago but the knee swelled up again from the jarring it suffered on the hard Bourda

Simmons and Benjamin are expected to be the players omitted to make way for Richards and Marshall. Should Marshall not play, it is possible that Gray on his home ground might be chosen ahead of Benjamin.

With the West Indies team to tour England due to be chosen at the weekend though not announced

Test teams

WEST INDIES (from): O L Haynes, G C Greenloge, R B Richardson, 1 V A Richards. A L Logie, C L Hooper, †P J L Dupon or †D Williams, M O Marshall, C A Walsh, E L C Ambrose, B P Patterson. PAKISTAM (probable): Mudassar Nazer, Rama: Raja. Shoeib Mohammad, Javed Mandad, Selim Malik, liaz Ahmed, "Imran Khan, †Salim Yousd," liaz Faqin, Abdul Oadir, Wasim Aloram.

immediately - it is interesting that Marshall represents the nearest thing to a genuine allrounder in Caribbean cricket. The tour selectors have

resigned themselves to settling on seven batsmen, seven bowlers and two wicket-keepers for the 16-strong party for England. Simmons, who has had two seasons in the Bolton League, and Arthurton who took such a brilliant hundred off the Pakistanis in St Lucia, are vying for the seventh batting place.

A Test match in Port of Spain is always a special occasion. Over the years, the Queen's Park Oval has seen larger crowds and more clearcut victories than any other West Indian ground. In addition the Northern Range provides a scenic background that rivals Adelaide, Cape Town, and Kandy, as the loveliest in international cricket. The pitch, though, has not helped spinners as much as it used to do since it was relaid in 1980.

SACU takes succour from cricketers' vote

The South African Cricket Uoion (SACU) was delighted yesterday that the Cricketers' Association had no dissenters to its oppositioo to any interference in its members continuing to play and coach in South Africa.

At the Cricketers' Association meeting on Tuesday, the vote was carried by 85 to nil, with

"We are very pleased that they have taken such a tough line, since about 60 County cricketers come here each year." Dr Ali Bacher, managing direc-E SALU isolation, we need help in the townships, and more players

"The right of the sportsman to should be sacrosanct. As township cricket gains in importance throughout South Africa, so coaching from English players

bere wbo can npgrade

becomes more vital to us and race relations improve.

A delegation from the SACU, including Dr Bacher, will come to England at the end of June to lobby International Cricket Conference (ICC) member coun-tries before its meeting in July, A proposal is to be put at the ICC meeting seeking to exclude players with South African links

from Test Cricket.

Local opinion is that there will be early assistance for the fast bowlers, but that the pitch could become more docile as the game progresses. Imran Khan must be at his best again if Pakistan are to achieve an early breakthrough and Abdul Qadir could play a decisive role later. Imran went carefully at practice yesterday because of a slight groin niggle hut it is not considered

Pakistan might gamble on the fitness of Wasim Akram to support Imran as the obvious replacement, Saleem Jaffer, has a slight bout of shingles. West Indies have summoned the Trinidad wicketkeeper, David Williams, to join their squad as Dujon is still in pain from a cracked finger. If Dujon cannot play, his absence would leave the West Indies tail even longer than it

It is extraordinary how pessimistic the Georgetown defeat has left the ordinary West Indian that one meets. Some of this mood, I suspect, bas permeated the West Indies camp and Pakistan have to start favourites to achieve what would be an historic

CASTRIES: Pakistan scored a decisive 211-run victory against West Indies under-23 XI here in St Lucia yesterday. Abdul Qadir, who went through his repertoire, took six for 42 as the young West Indians were dismissed for 159 in their second

victory

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Tildesley had match point to the third game against the holder,

John Thompson, but lost. The

next year be won the amateur

doubles championship with

Charles Swallow, Tildesley also represented England at squash

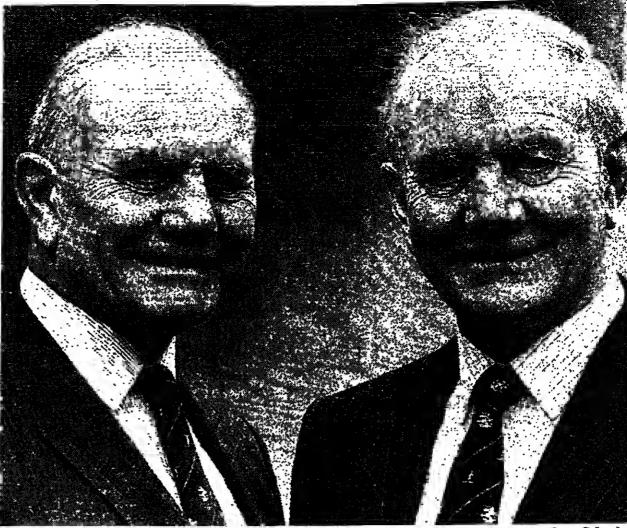
rackets on three occasions in

Of his new project in Spain, Tildesley says: "No expense is being spared to create the most

exciting and prestigious rackets and leisure facilities in the

ation, says: "Very rarely are new courses built for real tennis or

rackets, even more rarely for hoth. Yet, without doubt, they are magnificent games for old and young alike."



Twin view: after 50 years Alec (left) and Eric Bedser are still in love with the game (Photograph: Bryn Colton)

Bedsers reach a joint milestone

It was a warm, soft, spring morning and the charabanes cruised out of London packed with Easter day-trippers. Un-noticed and unheralded two fresh-faced lads from Woking passed through the crowds and headed lote the capital towards the mighty Hobbs Gates at the Oval.

A ned to the gateman, a quickening of the stride, and through the hallowed portals they went, into the dressingrooms of Surrey County Cricket Club. So,50 years ago today, began the distinguished careers of the Bedser twins, Alec and

Much has changed in the world since that day, a day on which Wolverhamptoo Wanderers beat Leicester 10-1 in the first division, Franco stormed through Catalonia and the smell of war bung heavily in the air. Age has changed little in the characters, attitudes and even the appearances of the brothers. They are still the same thick-set, broad-sbouldered, rugged men of vore, who were renowned for their direct, no-nonsense approach to life as well as to the game of cricket. Good manners, good babits, and no pretence have always been their mottoes.

Such values stood them in excellent stead during playing careers which spanned the 1950s when Sarrey won seven consecutive championships, and extended into the early 1960s. Alec became the more celebrated of the pair by dint of his Test bowling feats, which included a world record of 236 wickets in 51 Test matches, and his later elevation to the chairmanship of 53-6-42-6; England's selectors for an and a better chance if one of us took precedented 13 years until 1981. to spin. We tossed a coin, I lost, elevation to the chairmanship of books, so we thought we'd stand



'Alec (left) and Eric in their playing days

worthy service to the game, being Surrey's most accom-plished all-rounder since Percy Fender, taking 797 wickets (average 24,88) and scoring 14,148 runs (average 23,93). That Alec should have become such a prolific wicket-taker, an opponent whom Bradman rated as one of the most difficult, was

beyond the boy's wildest That Eric was not challenging him as an opening bowler was due rotirely to chance. Eric recalls: "We knew how many seamers Surrey had on their

and became the off spinner."
Wistfully he admits that things
might have been different if he'd stuck to his style, the late outswinger, a sharp contrast to Alec's wicket-taking ball, the vicious leg cotter. But there never has been any hint of rancour or jealousy between the two. "As boys we depended on each other for our

cricket practice, so if we fell out there was no cricket. If ever there were a deterrent to squabbling that was it," Alec says.

Their origins were humble. Their father was a brickleyer (who in 1953 built the family bouse in Woking where they both still live with their mother)

and they left school at 14 to work in a solicitor's office. If the Surrey coach, Allan Pench, had not been running an indoor school in Woking it is unlikely that the twins would ever have presented themselves at the Oval, such was their diffidence.

Peach saw their promise. "I just remember being so awed by it all," Alec says. "Yet everyone was so kind to us. We were paid £2 a week plus a match fee. It was play or no pay which certainly made you go out there and practise. There's talk these days of pressure but then, there was no safety pet at all. Most of the professionals were working s lads so you knew that if it didn't work out you were back to the building site."

Both of them are captions about wallowing in nostalgia. For them the old days were better, if only because today's player, for whatever reasons, does not seem to derive the same does not seem to derive the same pleasure from the game. Given their deep sense of propriety they naturally deplore had behaviour, whatever excuses may be offered. Playing standards have declined, they feel, particularly among howlers. The praise of their contemporaries is rattled off. "Stattern. Town. rattled off. Statham, Tyson, Trueman, Laker . . . all great

It seems they are reluctant to carp too much because it is a ne they still love and cherish. Cuttings, portraits, statues and all manner of memorabilia adora the family home, all stirring warm memories of careers which will be commemorated in a special luncheon at the Oval

Mick Cleary

SHOOTING

Tucker on target as sun shines

The sun shone oo Sydney's Maroubra rifle range yesterday and so did Aodrew Tucker, with every shot firmly in the bull's eye, as the Great Britain rifle team kept its unbeaten record by wioning the Arthur Phillip match for overseas teams of five (our Rifle Shooting Corres-

Tucker, aged 50, who is on his seventeenth overseas tour, put 15 shots into the bull at 300 metres, then 10 more at 800 metres for 125, the highest possible score. All five of the team made the bighest possible at 300 metres and although Tucker was the only one to repeat the performance, both Paul Kent and John Warburton scored 124 out of 125, Charles Cunningham 123 and Andy

The tourists have not yet faced the Australians but will do so today in the Australia match. RESULTS: Arthur Phillip Metch: 1, GB, 618/60; 2, Channel Islands, 610/54; 3, New Zealand, 610/44; 4, Canada, 609/50; 5, US, 597/33; 6, Watee, 593/53; 7, Kenya, 592/42.

AUSTRALIA MATCH TEAM: J Thompson, M Pattinson, A Chown, P Kent, A Tucker. J Warburton, C Cumingham, P Bromley, J Beltimogr, O Richards, Coaches: O Paint-ing and A Clarke.

Complex in Spain will feature rackets court

By William Stephens

A real tennis and rackets court is Peter Palumbo, now a wellto be constructed in southern known property developer.

Spain as part of a luxurious In the 1959 amateur rackets country club and property

Although real tennis flour-ished in Spain, as it did through-out Europe, from the 13th to the 18th centuries under royal patronage, the only rackets court on the Iberian peninsula is that in Gibraltar, which is still in

The complex, Andalucia Hill. will be built on a 10-acre hilltop site next to Puerto Banus, near Marbella, and will comprise 361 penthouses, studios, two- god hree-bedroomed apartments and conferences rooms as well as facilities for real tennis, rackets, lawn tenois, squash rackets, badmioton, swimmiog, golf, bowls, borse-riding, pistol-shooting and physical fitness.

The project has been master-minded and financed by Jimmy Tildesley, who moved to Spaio after the sale of his successful West Midlands engineering

Tildesley was Public Schools rackets singles champioo in 1954 wheo at Rugby, and repre-sented Oxford in the University match for three years - during one of which his partner was

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RACKETS

British teams to stage exhibition game in US

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wigan and Warrington, the two leading British teams, will play an exhibition match to Milwau-chairman, Maurice Lindsay, kee at the end of next seasoo as the Rugby League attempts to establish a bridgehead in the United States. The event is the brainchild of Mike Mayer, the president of the Uoited States Rugby League, who has been to England for several months.

Mayer, of Wisconsin, a former American football player. has been campaigning in America for nearly 14 years, but his efforts to get the 13-a-side code established have faltered because of lack of major sponsorship.

Colin Cowdrey, who won the Noel Bruce Cup public schools old boys' rackets championship Now he has reached agree-ment with a stadium to Milwaukee and with the two English clubs. Wigan and Warrington with John Thompson for To obridge three times, commends the far-sightedness have been asked to put up a £50,000 guarantee to help cover launch expenses, with the hope that if the exhibition match is a and dedication to excellence.
For rackets is one of the most
exciting games to the world and
deserves a wider following." success they will recoup the money and more. Lord Aberdare, president of the Tennis and Rackets Associ-

Rounie Close, the Warrington iscretary, said yesterday: "Leeds were asked to be Wigan's opponents, but they declined. The £50,000 could have been a stumbling block has the been as slumbling block but the brewery Greenall Whitley have agreed to sponsor us." Wigan confirmed

said that there would be no comment from Central Park until after the Challenge Cup Final at Wembley on April 30.

A date of May 27, 1989, has been pencilled in, but final details will take some time to

Widnes, the Stones Bitter champions, have made another approach to Alan Tait, the Kelso and Scotland centre and have invited him to be a guest at their first round premiership tie on

Shaun Edwards, the Wigan half back, and Lee Crooks, the Leeds forward, are struggling to prove their fitness for the Australasian tour. Crooks is troubled by a shoulder injury and time is running out for him. Edwards has a better chance. and hopes to test out his torn hamstring io the final home League game against Hunslet at Central Park on Sunday.

Graham Lowe, the Wigan coach, said that if Edwards comes through training sessions with no adverse reaction he will be named as a substitute.

Crewsearch response prompts extra trial

By Barry Pickthall

Sixty-two aspiring sailors, all keen to break into the big time, will be put through their paces in the company of Rodney Pattison, the triple Olympic medal winner, at Torquay this weekend in the first of 10 regional Crewscarch trials to find the next generation of yachtsmen to keep Britaio in the forefront of offshore and ocean

Places on the scheme, spon-sored joiotly by *The Times* and James Capel, the global invest-ment house, have been much sort after, attracting more than 1.500 applicants for the 700

Indeed, the sheer pressure of oumbers has prompted the Royal Yachting Association and the Royal Ocean Racing Club, whose national coach, Bill Edgerton, is co-ordinating Crewsearch, to combine the brish and Scottish trials, and organize a sixth event in the South, at Brighton in June.

"The high standard of applicants has certainly surprised us," Edgerton said yesterday. The oumbers, too, particularly from the South, have been overwhelming and this particular to the said this particular this particular to the said this particular this particular to the said this particular to the said this particular to the said this particular this particul overwhelming, and this extra event will allow us to test out a greater number of potential

THE TIMES James Capel



CREWSEARCH

British team members for future Southern Cross, Admiral's and Kenwood Cup events."

The Irish and Scottish Crewsearch trials will now be combined at the Largs event at the end of this month, where the former Olympic and America's Cup sailor, Mike McIntyre, will be testing 60 or more potential

The new event will take place under the auspices of the Brighton YC at Brighton Marina over the weekend of June 25 and 26, and the RYA expects to send out invitations next week to these course who are liked for the those crews who applied for the heavily oversubscribed trials at Torbay, the Soleot and Burnham-on-Crouch.

McEnroe decides on a year of effort From Barry Wood Tokyo

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TENNIS

John McEnroe has decided to commit himself to a further 12 months in tennis before review-ing his position in the game.

Speaking after his second round match against Greg Holmes in the Suntary Japan Open had been washed out yesterday, the former world No. I expressed his renewed dedication to a cureer that has brought him both energous success and

"I came to the conclusion recently that I have a lot to gain by coming back and a lot of positive things could happen even if I didn't get back to where I have been in the past," he said. "I know there will be days when I'll wonder if it's worth it, especially when I start loging matches, and that will be the real challenge over the next few

"But there are days when I really feel excited about it, and the more days I feel that way the more they will push me to make a bigger effort."

a bigger effort."

During the troubled times of his last attempted counchack, thoughts of giving me entered his mind. But he never seriously coosidered them. "Those thoughts do cross your mind, but deep down I don't think I'm a quitter," he said. "I feel that if things start falling into place then I'll actually start getting back to where I think I can be."

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hack to where I think I can be."

And, that is, if not quite to the top, then certainly a salid place in the top 10. But it will take sacrifices and dedication. He has spent mouths in the company of his former doubles partner, Peter Fleming, wirking on his physical fitness—rambing up mountains, lifting weights and so on — but appreciates that the heat of battle will present another challenge entirely. "It's easy when you're wo

"It's easy when you're working out at home. The pressure is not the same, and I'm going to have to give up some things now, like spending time with my family or being in one place for any length of time. But I feel I have something left to give and I'd be cheating myself it I didn't give it that shot."

If, however, things are not progressing as he would like, the sport may lose one of its most charismatic figures. "If within a year things are not moving in a positive direction, not necessarily reaching No. 1 or No. 2, then it will be a good time to re-evaluate," be said.

"There are too many things in other walks of life that make me happy and it's counter-produc-tive for everyone — and most of all myself - to go out there and not enjoy it. A year is sufficient for me to know."

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Lalonde defence

Trinidad (Reuter) - Donny Lalonde, the Canadian World Boxing Council light-heavy-weight champion, will defend his title against Leslie "Tiger" Stewart, of Trinidad, here on May 29.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated FOOTBALL

Barclays League Fourth division Halifax v Levton Orient ... SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Distillery v

SMIRHNOFF MISH LEAGUE Distillery v Newry. CENTRAL LEAGUE (7.0): Pirst divisions: Grimsby v Braddord; Huddersfleid v Derby (7.30): Notingham Forest v Sheffield Wednesday; Sheffield United v Everton (7.30). Second division: Scuraturge v Marafold.

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SUNDAY MERROR COMBINATION: Cheriton v West Ham (2.0).

VALUGHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Layton-Wingster v Kingstonkan: Tooting and Mitcham v Carshelton. First division: Wembley v Chesham.

MORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Cup: First round: South Liverpool v Southport.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Worcester v Bedworth.

LONDON SENTOR CUP: Senti-final, first-leg: Doncester v Totterhem (7.0).

SOUTHERN JUNIOR - FLOODLIT CUP: Final, first leg: Luton v Queen's Park Rangers.

RUGBY UNION COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP: Second division: Richmond v Semicans (6.15).

RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Sec-ond division: Springfield v Whiteheven

OTHER SPORT CRICKET: Cambridge University v Middle-ger. (et Fenner's, 11.0). SKIMG: British aloine championehipe (et Ape d'Huez). SQUASH RACKETS: Hi-Tec British open chempionehip: Cualitying (et Wembley).

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FISHING

Time for anglers to rise to the bait

By Conrad Voss Bark

Hy boxes, the some more files to fill the gaps, take our rods out from the capboard, polish them up a bit, and consider the possibility of going down to the river. It is hard lack on fishermen in

Now is the time to look into our

towns at this time of the year, huddled over their desks, attached to telephones while at the hack of their minds is the knowledge that the weather is changing, there is a feeling of spring about, and they may well be missing the first hatch.

Somewhere or other, possibly along the banks of the Hamp-shire Avon, the gramom will be coming up. I once saw bankside bushes at Somerley so full of grannous that every branch seemed to be on the more with

In Wales about now, one might expect a flurry of March Browns, which on the Uak

should always be fished dry with some of the splendid patterns tied by Jean Williams, of Usk town. Above all, certainly on most rivers almost everywhere, this is the time when the large dark olive should be moving.

There must be at least 20 patterns of artificial flies that have been tied to represent the large dark office (Baetis Rhodani) ranging from the Greenwell to Kite's Imperial to Charles Cetton's Blue Dun to Charles Cetton's the Rho the Devon pattern of the Blue Upright, and heaven knows how many more. All will take fish sometime, though by no means will they take fish all of the time, which makes choice of fly somewhat interesting.

I know a man who, when the large clives are up, always fishes the Pheasant Tail, and another

the Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear,

and they refuse to fish anything different, while at the same time

a third man, following the advice of Dermot Wilson, will persist with a Beacon Beige. All take fish almost as regular as But what is one to make of the fact that trout take all these vastly different artificial flies

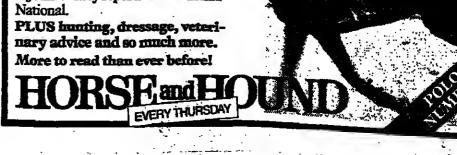
when only one kind of natural fly is coming off the water? There are three possibilities. One is that all 20 artificials all look like the large dark office. The second is that it is not the pattern of the artificial that matters but the way it is presented to the fish. The third is that fish do not mind what they cat as long as they eat

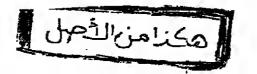
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POLO PROSPECTS FOR 1988

teams and players in Horse and Hound. out today. We examine prospects for the coming season and bring you the first news of handicaps and fixtures for 1988. Claire Tomlinson explains how the best polo ponies are trained. Harvey Smith writes his contro-

versial column on show jumping. John Oaksey reports on the Grand National. PLUS hunting, dressage, veteri-





Two rounds prove

too much for

Borgnis the elder

RESULTS FROM WEST HILL

Watts finds range

to share the lead

By Patricia Davies

After getting through the sec-ond round with his offspring, Michael, n mere 48, his swing

began to shorten perceptibly on

Beroard White, the son, is the

Peter Borgnis, enviably lean

cult opponents, but a lack of consistency told in the end. It was all square after 11,

where upon the Whites won the 12th by the refreshment hut, and, suitably refreshed, won three of the next four holes. The

Borgnis received a shot at the

14th, but gallingly enough they had no use of it when Bernard White hit a long fairway wood

Nor did it matter when Mich-

ael Borgnis, betraying his tack of

competitive experience, raked a bunker at the 15th after leaving

The holders, Harry and Mich-

ael Kershaw, went out in the morning on a depressing note against the Pryors. They took three putts at the 17th to remain

all square and Michael hit a one. iron 230 yards through the green and out of bounds at the last.

"I need hanging," he said afterwards, which seemed al-most an invitation to his father to exact retribution. He is a Lancashire county court judge.

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From Barry West

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AL PRINCIPLE STATE

Sheedy, aged 28, who is valued at £1 million, intimated that he would be seeking a move away from Goodison Park after discussing his future with Harvey earlier in the week.

Since his return to the Evertop side after a prolonged period of injury, Sheedy has been used on the left side of midfield and not in the more central position he prefers.

After failing to convince Harvey that a positional change would be in the best interests of the League cham-pions. Sheedy said that it was

ton, their manager, after n run of

16 games without a win. His departure followed Tuesday's 4-1 home defeat by Swindon

Don Robinson, the club

chairman, said yesterday: "I shall he making a statement on the manager's situation later, but I can confirm Brian Horton

has been dismissed. He is a nice person and we have got on well, but we had to make the decision

The season started optimis-tically for Hull when a rup of 10

games without defeat made them promotion candidates, but

exits from the Littlewoods, Simod and FA Cup com-petitions at the first hurdle,

coupled with a lack of goals, gradually undermined Horton's

Horton, who was nearing the

end of the second year of a three-

year contract, blamed crowd pressures for his dismissal. "The

after a poor run of results."

"highly unlikely" he would he has been linked with sev-still be with the club next eral leading clubs both at

But Harvey, who has had a past 12 months. largely disappointing first sea-son in charge at Everton, said: "He is under contract to the club. Yes, we have had a chat but what was said is private."

named in the Republic's squad for the friendly inter-national against Yugoslavia in Dublio on April 27, joined Everton in 1982 when Harvey's predecessor, Howard Kendall, plucked him from the obscurity of Liverpool's reserve team for £100,000.

He was the club's joint leading scorer with 16 goals in last season's championshipwinning campaign and al-though he still has two years of

"The hardest part is that the

Horton sacked for Zico joins Hull's decline protest at rough play

Rio de Janeiro (Reuter) — Leading Brazilian footballers said yesterday they were tired of being pushed around and would spearhead n campaign to stop violence at local league matches.

"Violence at total tengue materies.

"Violence must stop. It is destroying the art of Brazilian soccer. It was certainly not through this kind of attitude that Brazil won the World Cuptures times," the Flamengo forward, Renato Gaucho, said in a television interview. in a television interview.

He was the latest victim of the violence that has become rou tine at Brazilian league matches He will miss action for at least two weeks, after suffering a serious knee injury when he was challenged by Dede, a defender. of America, Rio,

of America, Rio.
"I think the only solution to stop violence is if all the top players decide to go on strike," the Paraguayan-born midfield player, Julio Cesar Romero. (Romerito), of Fluminense, L. said, He has been recovering from a meet injury for more than a month after being hit by an opponent.

Zico, a veteran international and a old victim of rough defenders, is even considering retirement, saying he is tired of spending time curing injuries. "I've been asking for ages for

tough measures to he taken against violence. Unfortunately, on one wants to listen, with the exception of the fans, who are turning but less and less at the stadiums," Zico said,

The players blame team of-ficials, rather than referees, for the disarray. "Referees have no autonomy, therefore, they are secretary, confirmed that afraid to make drastic de-Hughes had been released by the Cisions," Gaucho said.

"They fear that if they do their names will be placed in the

"They fear that if they do their names will be placed in the 'cooler' ino future matches]. In our game against America, the referee booked Dede for misconduct five minutes before he bit me Since he had already hit me. Since he had already been cautioned, the referee did him off the field, as we were still, in the first half."

Maguregui, who coache

Celta until last month, can not formally take charge of the Madrid side yet as Spanish regulations state that no coach

may work with two teams in the

"The situation became intol-erable," Gil said. "Ufarte wouldn't even let Maguregui in

the dressing-room or on the

SWITZERLAND: The Dan-

ish player, Lars Lunde, was in intensive care with head injuries

but out of danger yesterday after his car was hit by a train. Otmar Hitzfeld, the trainer of the Swiss

club, FC Aarau, said Lunde, aged 24, had overlooked a signal at n railway crossing while

aged 24, had overlooked a signal at n railway crossing, while returning from a match in Berne against the Young Boys club.

The former West German international midfield player, Uli Stielike, who now plays for Neuchâtel Xamax in Switzerland, is to retire at the end of the cases of because of injury.

season because of injury. Stielike, aged 34, played 42 times for his country.

• MILAN: Dario Bonetti, the

Verona defender, was yesterday banned for Dine matches after

he "repeatedly insulted the ref-

erce and linesman" during the

match against Cesena last Sun-

Wales with their most for-midable attacking duo. Cruyff sets a deadline for Barcelona job involved in the running of the

Barcelona (Reuter) — Johan Cruyff said yesterday that Barcelona must make him a firm offer to be their coach next season or he would consider negotiations between himself and the chib closed.

definitely wants to play and asking if he was likely to be picked." Evans said.

Evans added that the FAW

would not be contacting Juventus to see if Ian Rush

would be available to provide

"My patience has run out and I'm not going to wait any more," Cruyff told the Barcelona newspaper, El Periodico. "If Barcelona don't put a contract on the talks will be over. I don't understand the way the club is behaving."

Cruyff, who played for Barcelona in the 1970s, walked out as manager of Ajax Amsterdam after e contract dispute last January. Officials at Barcelona said they expected to make an; announcement on Cruyff within

Barcelona's first-division ri-vals, Atlètico Madrid, have sacked their caretaker coach, Armando Ufarte, three weeks after his appointment. Ufarte, a former Atletico player, told reporters he had been sacked after a disagreement with the club president, Jesús Gil, over selecting the team. "He wanted to impose a team on me and I said no," Ufarte said.

Gil said he was angry that Ufarte had not co-operated with José Maria Maguregui, who will take over the coach's job next season and has been unofficially

HOCKEY

McGuire sets up England's championship

NORTH AMERICA: Instead Languer New York Mate: 3, Montead Expos C. Cincionati Reda: 4, San Francisco Glinis 2; San Diego Padres S. Los Anguise Dodgers 3; Houston Astros 8, Atlanta Braves 3; St. Louis Cardinals 7, Chizago Cultus S. Anteadam Languer Boston Red Sox 3, Alfavastos Bravess 1; Detroit Tigers 4, Tesus Rangers 1; Cilifornia Angels 15, Chicago White Sox E; Santile Mantees 8, Oxidand Articles 4; Managem Tudes 7, Claveland Indians 6; New York Yantees 12, Toronto Blue Jays 3; Kanses Chy Royals 8, Bellimove Cricles 1.

RESULTS: Under-18 championesis: England 4 Ireland 2; Scotland 2 Wistes 2.
Final placings: 1, England 8pts; 2, tretand, 4; 3, Scotland, 1; Wrises, 1. Under-18 championship: England 0 Ireland 1; Wates, 3 Scotland 1. Final placings: 1, Ireland, 5pts; 2, Wales, 3; 3, England, 2; 4, Scotland, 2.



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Harris makes an early exit

By Colin McQuillan

Del Harris, Britain's youngest national champion and first men's junior world champion, was briefly on top of the squash world at Wembley yesterday when Hi-Tec Sports, the sponsors of the British Open championships, announced a personal contract which could provide the Ferry plant and provide the Essex player, aged 18, with £50,000 over the next

Six hours later he was plumbing the depths of competitive depression as his wild-card en-try to the main draw of the competition disintegrated in a 9-3, 9-3, 9-4 defeat in 66 minutes Tristan Nancarrow, alia, seeded ninth for the

The latest arrangement pro-

vides Harris with a handsome retainer plus escalating bonus scales. He has his first bonus in the bank for winning the world junior championship last week, but will need to add the senior world title within the three-ye span to capitalize pp the

In October Jansher Khan gained just £10,000 for winning the World Open championship and the winner of the men's championship at Wembley this week will earn £6,500.

The only player to approach similar earning potential at such an age was Lucy Soutier, of Cirencester, who was also junior world champion and won the British title when just a few

RESILTS: (British and Irish unless stated: Fleet round: Mea: Jangher (Dran (Pair) bt P Whistock, 9-3, 9-3, 9-2, 5-1 Heistone bt R Hai (Aus), 9-3, 4-9, 6-9, 9-4, 9-2, 2 Blesson bt A Wahistock (Swo), 9-6, 9-0, 6-9, 9-5; R Thome (Aus) bt Mz Zaman Gui (Pair), 9-1, 9-5, 9-4; D Robertson (Aus) bt M Bodimeede, 9-2, 9-0, 9-6; T Nencarrow (Aus) bt D Harris, 9-3, 9-3, 9-4.

semi-final stage on Sunday.

weeks older than Harris. Yes-terday Soutter needed just 20 minutes to defeat Ruth Strauss,

a performance which suggests she is capable of stopping the defending champion, Susan Devoy, of New Zealand, at the

Women: S Devoy (NZ) bt M Bartes, 9-4, 9-1, 9-7; S Fazgerald (Aus.) bt B Hoogendoom (Nath), 9-0, 9-1, 9-6; R Best bt S Langley-Foster, 9-0, 9-4, 9-5; M Martin (Aus.) bt C Jackman, 9-3, 9-7, 2-9, 9-3; L Soutier bt R Strauss, 9-2, 9-0, 9-0; A Curnings bt R Beltord (Aus.), 9-3, 9-4, 9-2

LONDON MARATHON

Gates sets off for new renal unit

By David Powell

Life has not been easy for Michael Gates these past few years. He has seen his sou endure three failed kidney transplants and come close to death; he has journeyed from Salidean, near Brighton, to London three times a week to take him for himes in week to take him top dialysis; the time off work, he suspects, cost him his job. As it he does not have enough cares, Gates has spent the last four months grinding out the miles, in wind and rain along the scafront, preparing for the Mars London Marathon on Sunday.

"There is no doubt in the world that I will get round, even if I have to crawl," Gates said. He is n fighter. He has had to be; from the day five years ago when his son, Michael John, was diagnosed as having chronic renal failure. With each transplant rejection Michael John's

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prospects for a successful opera-tion diminished.

"Michael John has had some-thing like 40 operations," Gates added. "He has not eaten since be was born. He is fed down o neal gastric tube. Three weeks ago we came close to losing him because he had had an operation and did not come out of the anaesthetic."

Gates decided to run a mara-thon to raise funds to help the children at Guy's Hospital,

ATHLETICS

BATTERSEA PAINC Chill Service sectional 10 less reed sace chemplosekle: 1, M. Harris (MOD), 29:16: 2, G. Horne (DHSS), 29:47: 3, M. Williams (Customs and Excise), 28:54. Their:

RRISTIANSAND, Norway: Esrepass changloresister Norway bt featurd, 4-1; Friend bt Concholoresida, 4-1; Sweden bt England, 3-2 U Genon lost to N Yase, 15-2, 4-15, 2-15; C Magnusson bt F Gelor, 6-11, 11-2, 11-6; J Antonson and P-G Joanson bt S Baddely and A Goods, 15-10, 15-5; M Bengtisson and C Magnussion lost to G Clark and S Sandy, 12-15, 12-15; Annoson and Bengtation MOHall and G Silica, 16-18, 15-11, 15-6; Hestherlands bt Scotland, 3-2 (P Pelupassy bt K Middlemias, 15-4; 15-12; Conen bt A Gisson, 11-9, 11-3; Pelupassy and A Mayer bott to A While and I Prings, 14-17, 15-12; 11-15; Conen and E van Dijck lost to J Ales and E Allen, and Silvan Disk and Meyer bt D Travers and E Allen, and J Travers and E Allen, 4-1; Finland bt Norsey, 3-2.



Gates: loving father

where his son is a patient. He thrused his attentions to the hospital's Kidney Patients' Association. The hospital is attempting to raise £1 million towards a new renal unit," Gates said. "I are doing this marathon not only for Michael John but for all the other kids in the same position as him."

As Sunday draws near, Gates As Sunday draws hear, Gates confesses to having butterflies for the first time in years. But, at 38, he is confident of finishing. The sight of the flaish on Westminster Bridge will be sweet: but the sight of Michael John there to greet him will be

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Chinese to continue their surge

The wind from the East continned yesterday, the Japanese being followed into town for the Mars London Marathon by the results, it will not be long before the Chinese are taking a prominent place in world athletics.

cross-country.

Storey said yesterday: "Admittedly, world standards

icy, good runs by Cai Shangyan and Wang Quinuan should he enough to take them to Seoul,

Athletics Correspondent

Chinese. And judging by recent

second to the Soviet Union in the world 15-kilometre road championship in Adelaide last month. One week later, the same women finished an un-precedented eighth in the world

The speed of their arrival among the world's best has surprised even Alan Storey, the British national marathon coach, who spent a year in China between 1985 and 1986,

are lower among women, which has made it easier for the Chinese, and there are still problems, like lack of n club structure and the difficulty of travel to meet top competition. But Zhang Gouwei is looking to run 2hr I Imin and since he led the world championship 5,000 metres for half the race last summer, he will not be left for pace by anybody on Sunday."

Gouwei is the Chinese record holder, with 2hr 12min 17sec, which should already be suf-ficient to get him selected for the Olympic marathon. And, al-though the Chinese have no official marathon selection pol-

By Pat Butcher

Carl Watts and Richard Payne shared the lead after the first 36 holes of the Peter McEvoy Trophy at Copt Heath yesterday, Their total of 147, five over par, left them one shot ahead of Michael Smith, one of the favourites, and two ahead of lim Payne, the runner-un last. Jim Payne, the runner-up last Watts, aged 16, of Sussex, took pride of place because of a 71, level par, in the afternoon.

but made up for that with birdies at the ninth, 12th and 15th, where he hit two one-irons Their women's team was before pitching to four feet and holing the putt. Despite a liking for taking his one-iron off the tec, Watts is a slim lad and intends taking up weight training next week to add some bulk. He is now a full-time golfer,

financed by his father, David. who imports antiques and reproductions from Thailand, and also caddies for his son when time permits. Watts learned his golf at a driving range his father opened

come to terms with the greens in the afternoon and took three putts no fewer than five times in his 76.

his 70. LEADING EARLY SECOND BOUND SCORES: 147: C Watts (Working), 78, 71; R Payne (Royal Mid-Surrey), 74, 73, 145; M Smith (Brokenthurst Memor), 74, 74, 148; J Payne (Sandiends), 73, 76; 157: S

course record with a round of

Richard Payne was also in-troduced to golf through his father's business — the catering

whose tents are seen at major events all over the country. A

cred from four putts at the third

hole in the morning to return a 74 and followed it up with a 73

The other Payne, Jim, did not

on faster, trickier greens.

Worried start to tour

Alison Nicholas, the champion of the women's Open, will he apprehensive when the Wom-en's Professional Golfers' Association European tour begins today with the Marbella Open at Los Naranjos.

For Nicholas has — like Ian Woosnam, last year's outstanding male golfer — switched to a different set of golf-clubs from those she used during the 1987 scason, during which she won two tournaments.

"I have not committed myself 10 a new contract yet because I've only had these graphite clubs for n couple of weeks," Nicholas, aged 26, said. "I amaiready hitting the ball much further with them and I will be because the first the said of the said."

keeping my fingers crossed."

Dale Reid, from Scotland who topped last year's money list with record winnings of £53.815, also has pre-season doubts. Two weeks ago Reid, the Scottish Open champion, returned from Palm Springs, shattered after rounds of 82 and 75 in the Dinah Shore-

"I was disgusted with the way I played in America and went to see John Stark, my coach. He spotted that my right side was collapsing and that I was swaying, but I am a little more confident now."

Laura Davies, winner of the US Open in 1987, is still in America and missing from the field of 84 in Marbella.

BOWLS

Richardson in line for **England recall**

By David Rhys Jones

Ronnie Richardson, who led for England in 1983, staked a claim for a recall to the national team when he beat John Evans, another former England player, in the final of the Bristol and West all-England champion of champions tournament nt Northavon, near Bristol, yes-

Richardson, aged 41, de-served to win, for he was the more consistent player in the final, but he had to withstand n spirited comeback from the Evans, who recovered from 9-18 after 20 ends to 14-18 three ends

At that stage, Evans seemed to have found a road to the jack and looked the likely winner, heheld three good shots. When Richardson foresook his natural drawing game and fired, he was accurate admittedly, but fortu-nate as well, taking out all three scoring shots and exchanging them for a match-winning three-of his own.

ever, is part and parcel of howle RESULTS: Semi-Bindle: R Richardson (Newcestie) bt S Palmar (City of By), 21-14; J Evans (Torbuy) bt R Hart (Espace County), 21-10. Final: Richardson bt Evans, 21-14.

FOR THE RECORD

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match: European group E: Czecnoslovalda I. Austria 0.
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Froelunda 2. Melmos 3. Oergyri 2: Sundaval 0. Oesikys 1; Alk Stockholm 2. Northoeping 0. Globborg 3. Brage 0; GAIS 2. Hawmintoy 0. SWESS LEAGUE: Lucene 2. Gesstroppar Zwich 1; Young Boys Berné 1. Alexu 2. Standings (after 6 metchesk 1. Neuchastal Xamax, 25pts: 2. Aursu, 21; 3. Gresshoper. 20. VEST GERMAN CUP: Hamburg SV Q.

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SPEEDWAY NATIONAL LEAGUE: Poole 60 (D Bies 13, S Scholled 12, K Smert 12), Rye House 36 (S Willcock 14, J Resmuseen 11).

ICE HOCKEY

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(Boston least 3-2): Harstond Whaters 3,
kentracal Canadiens 1 (Morareal least 3-2);
Washington Capitals 5, Pfilindelphia Fiyers 2
(Philadelphia lead 3-2); Toronto Mancie Laufs
6, Detroit Red Wings 5 (07) (Cetroit lead 3-2);
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(New Jersey Desis 4, New York Istanders 2
(New Jersey Set 2); St Louis Blues 5,
Chicago Black Hawler 3 (St Louis Win 4-1);
Calgary Rinters 6, Los Angeles Kings 4
(Calgary win 4-1); Edmonton Ollers 6, Winnippg Jess 2 (Edmonton win 4-1).

TENNIS

AMELIA ISLAND: Florida women's championables: Simples: Second retard: S Graf (Will) by Pasquare (Part), 6-1, 6-0.

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6-3, 4-5, 6-6; C Harbert (Herts) fit H Crook (Essed, 7-5, 6-4; O Springell (Hortolit) bt A Smith (Staffa), 6-4, 6-2; A fall (Deven) bt E Bond (Glouss, 8-2, 6-2; N Glass (Surrey) bt, E-e (Berts), 6-1, 6-0; A Gropory (Note) bt C Teo (Surrey), 6-3, 6-2; J Fox (Beds) bt M Comforth (Susset), 6-3, 3-6, 9-7; A Nispei (Larcs) bt E Woodkouse (Bucks), 6-3, 7-5, Third result K Herrison (E bt Sco) bt J Harper (Sussed, 7-6, 4-6, 8-2; A Nispei (Larcs) bt H Lockhart (Soo), 6-4, 7-6; C Harbert (Herris) bt Springell (Note), 6-3, 6-2; A Hill (Deven) bt O Springell (Notrich), 6-2, 6-3; G Smith (Normandbertend) bt N Glass (Surrey), 3-5, 7-6, 8-6.

NOCE: Nice Opan: May's singles: First vanté. A Cassmotov (ILSSN) to M. Pizzon (18, 7-5, 6-2; G. Forgat (Fr.) bit T Citamplon (Fr.), 6-3, 6-3; J. Arnes (Sp.) bit M Woodlovie (Aus.), 7-5, 6-2; J. P. Peuriss (Fr.) bit D Niveriso (tt., 7-5, 6-1; A Lesch (WG) bit D Castel (Aus.), 6-3, 7-5; T Hasten (Fr.) bit T Baltabies (Fr.), 7-5, 7-6; J. Pobier (Fr.) bit J. Afes (US.), 2-6, 6-4, Sacond round: G. Villas (Arg) bit J Guitternson (Sare), 6-7, 6-3, 6-4

SNOW REPORTS

SCOTLANCE Caintgenite upper and middle russ, rurs combine, wide aniow covers, rand pointed stow with my patches; lower stopes, russ contribute, spring snow, worlical rune, 1,800ft; hill and main roads, clear; snow level, 2,000ft. Greenbeer upper runs, some runs complete. hard packed enow with breakable crust; middle runs, faithed nursely areas, well snow, lower stopes, no snow or very little; wincid runs, 1,000ft; hill end main roads, clear; snow level, 2,000ft, Gleencast to report. Lestick upper and middle runs, runs complete, but nearby snew, spring snow; wentcal runs, 7,000; hill and main roads, clear; snow level, 2,000 feet. Forecast for today; mainty dry mids surary pariods; hosping at all levels at first at Cleance. Cairrigorm and Lackt, ming to 3,500ft at Glericos; freezing level, 3,000ft rioling above summits later; cloud mostly patchy above the summits, but at Glericos. trising above suremits leaver cloud mostly-patchy above the summits, but at Garacco-becoming overness at 2,000tr during the attention, with rain later and petiches of cloud below 1,000tr, aboveline becoming overness above sustemits; southerly winds, first or strong, perhaps gots force later. Contlook for passenties becoming milder with finezing level

SNOW REPORTS

The rub of the green, how-



Harvey puts down Sheedy's departure

Sheedy, who was yesterday

sold in the months ahead.

£1.75 million for the England

a possible move to Manches

all about these things," Fiar-

vey said. "I have not spoken

to anyone about them and should I do that the answer

supporters even got at me after the Sheffield United game in February when we lost at home for the first time in 13 months. In the end the public wanted me Horton, aged 39, was n player with Post Vale, Brighton and Hove Albion and Luton, and joined Hull as player-manager in May 1984 after n successful midfield career which began with his Midlands home-town club of Hednesford. Colin Applicton's departure from Hull

presented him with a chance to step up into management. He steered the club to promotion from the third division in his first season in charge, making 22 appearances himself. They came within 12 points of a first division debut in 1986, finishing sixth in the second division but leave second division, but last season slipped down to fourteenth. Their present position is one lower. Hull's last win was 3-1 at home to Leeds on January 3.

Appleton's departure from Hull

crowd have been getting at me and it has come to the point Charlton keeps faith with Irish regulars Jack Chariton, the Republic of (Liverpool, J. Sheridan (Leeds Utd), L. Sheedy with all his regulars for the next, European championship warm-up game against Yugoslavia at (Durby Co), N Chiese (Arsens), Staplaton

European championship warm-up game against Yugoslavia at Lansdowne Road on April 27. Mark Hughes, on Joan with Bayern Munich, yesterday con-firmed his availability for Wales's friendly international Except for the Liam Brady and Ronnie Whelan, both in-jured, Charlton has only omit-ted Luton's Ashley Grimes from against Sweden on April 27.

Dave Keliy, the Walsall forward, who is almost certain to travel to West Germany, is included in the squad, having made a big impact in the side. with four goals in two matches, including a treble against Israel on his debut last November.

REPUBLIC OF INCLAND: P Boarser (Calif.): G Psylon (Bournemouth), J Auderson (Newcasthe Utd.), Mortia (Calif.), C Heighton (Sours), M McCanthy (Calif.), K Moren (Manchester Utd.), P McGrath (Manchester Utd.), R Houghton Lyall assesses

damage after latest setback John Lyall, the West Ham manager, was yesterday assess-ing the damage caused by a bruising London derby defeat by

Not only did the 1-0 setback plunge United deeper into relegation trouble but it also added to their injury troubles. Stewart Robson broke his. nose, Sieve Potts damaged knee ligaments and Julian Dicks ended the game limping badly. They join Ray Stewart and Alvin Martin and Alan Devonshire on the treatment table.

Lyall said: "We don't need any more injuries in our situation". West Ham have five games left in which to secure their first division future. They are hover-ing just one place above the play-off spot occupied by Charlion, and have suffered a run of 15 League games without

a win.

The forward, Dave Caldwell, of Torquay United has been given permission by the Football Association to play in what is left of his team's promotion

Oldham Athletic have transfer-listed 10 players. Fees are wanted for Andy Gorton and Aaron Callaghan but eight others are available for free transfer.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS. BARCLAYS LEAGUE: First division: Manchester United 3, Luton Town 0; Newscastle United 3, Luton Town 0; Newscastle United 3, Matterd 0; West Ham United 0, Arsenel 1, Second division: Holl City 1, Swindon Town 4. Third division: Holl Sistel Revers 1, Bristol City 0; Wigan Athletic 2, Purt Valle 0. Fourth division: Newport County 0, Sentorough 4; Scuntorough 4; Scuntorough 4; Scuntorough Variation Van Thophy: Northern section: Final, first leg: Notts County 1, Wolverhengton Warderers 1.

THE WANDHALL CONFERENCE: Ai-trinchen: 2, Seitlord Rangers 0; Maccles-field 2, Uncoln City 0; Sution United 1. Northwich Victoria 1. IOPF INISH LEAGUE: Bellymenn 1. : Cristaders 3, Distillery 0. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Brad-ford City 3, Aston Villa 1: Eventon 3, Shattleid United 0: Grimsby Town 0; Sunderland 0: Shattleid Wednesday 0, Liverpoot 2: Second division: Oldhem Athletic 0, Blackburn Rovers 0.

SUNDAY SERROR COMBINATION: Arsenal O, ipseich Town 1; Charbon Athlete O, Queer's Park Rangers 1; Mitwell X, Bristol Rovers O; Totherham Hotspor 1, Norwich City 2; Watterd 1. Challes 3: Gravesend and Northleet 2, Houselow 0; Hasdings 4, Poole 1; Sheppey 1, Erith and Belvedere 0.

HAMPSHIRE SENIOR CUP: Final: Furthorough 0, Gosport Borough 3, LONDON SENIOR CUP: Third sound: Fishel 1, Leyton-Wingally 0,

Hayes 0: Tooting and Michael 0: Basingstoks 0: First definion: Billerically 2: Oxford City 4: Humpton 0, Wembley 1: Unbridge 2: Kingsbury 0; Walthamslow 3, Basildon 3: Visition and Hersham 1. Stevenage 0; Wolding 2, Boreham Wood 0: Wolverton 0, Leatherheed 4. Sacond devision acris: Clepton 1, Barton 0; William 0, William 1, Finchley 0; Ware 1, Floyston 0; William 3, Letchworth GC 1. Secand delision: April 1: Humperford 2, Hersham 4; East-bourne United 0, Chaffort St Peter 2: Flackwell Heeth 2, Camberley 2: Hersfard 1, Dorking 1; Humperford 2, Newbury 1; Majderheed United 2, Chertsey 3; Whysiolade 2, Feltham 1. NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Morecambe 1, Chorley 2: Worksop 2, Caernarton 0. BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier displacement Worksop 2, Caemerton 9.

BEAZER MOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bedworth 9. Ashiord 1; Dertord 3.

Worcoster 1; Wilerhall 1, Bromegrove 1.

Militand division: Buckingham 1.

Atherstone 2; Coverey Sporting 1. Mac Oak 0; Halestoven 3, Gloucester 3; Rushden 3. Troubridge 1; Stoutbridge 0, Moor Green 2. Bouthers division: Charlet 3. Bury 2; Corinthian 0, Burnham 3; Gravesend and Northiest 2. Houselow 0; Hestings 4. Poole 1; Sheppey 1, Eith and

England won the under-18 schoolboys championship at Linwood near Glasgow yes-terday by bearing Ireland 4-2, thanks to Philip McGuire, who scored three goals for the second time in the tournament (a Special Correspondent writes). He thus became the the leading marksman in the competition, having scored eight of his side's 11 goals in the event

CRICKET ADEL Apple: 1677 Contactory Treet: One-day International: Australia 212 for 7 (G Coster 72 not out, 1 Darks 48, R McCoster 43; J Lever three for 34, England 166 for 9(D Ames 73; D Welferts 3-12). (Australia, lead series 2-4).

BOXING

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ATHENS: European studer-21 cissuspiceable acquires: First leg: Grance 5, Neutralande 0.
SOUTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Newport 2, Boornemouth 1: Carolit 3, Torquiy 3. MODERN PENTATHLON

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES; Exister 3 Bristol 22; Penerth TATIVE MATCH: England 18

And the specific property of the second second second

Budd is named in Eddery's Newmarket double United Nations' updated blacklist

It is hardly surprising that the SCAA should proscribe

Budd in this fashion. What is

surprising is that the IAAF

council has taken the broadest

possible interpretation of its rules on "taking part" in a

meeting organized by a sus-pended federation (the South African Amateur Athletic

Union), and applied them to

It was that interpretation, by all 23 members of the

council, which resulted last

month in Budd's suspension

(although the IAAF refused to

call it such), thus avniding any

Zola Budd has been added to the United Nations' "blacklist" of sports people and entertainers who are considered to have given credibility to South Africa by appearing in the Republic. Budd's name will he on the

updated list, issued by the Special Committee Against Apartheid (SCAA), which will be officially announced in New York this afternoon. Caming on the eve of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) council meeting in London, which is to decide on Budd's eligibility far competition, the blacklisting is certain to give additional impetus to those who want Budd banned from international athletics.

Budd's additinn tn the hlacklist and her athletics suspension all stem from the same incident in Brakpan. Transvaal, where she attended a cross-country meeting nn June 26 last year, during one of her extended visits to her The paragraph on Budd in

the SCAA document, pub-

lished today, specifies the bance of the world cross-incident: "The South African country championships in country championships in New Zealand, for which Budd athlete, Zola Budd, who now uses a British passport of had been selected tn run for convenience, continues to the United Kingdom. train in her native South-The same 23 members of

Africa. In fact, she only re-turns to the United Kingdom! the IAAF council must now decide whether that interduring the athletics competpretatinn is sufficient to ban Budd completely. That is what many of the black African itive season . . . In June, Budd even had the audacity to run a couple of laps just prior to the commencement of a crossnations and country league meeting in Brakpan, South Africa." There are several deletions

from the SCAA blacklist, notably Jonathan Davies, the Welsh rugby player. Michael Kiernan and Ollie Campbell, the trish rugby players, have also written to SCAA pledging not to visit South Africa "while apartheid is being Lynn Davies, the former

British international athlete who won an Olympic long jump gold medal in 1964, has also been deleted from the list. Davies has coached in South Africa, but also wrote to SCAA when the city of Cardiff wanted to recruit him to assist its application for the 1994 possible boycott and distur- Commonwealth Games.

Barrett is

criticized

over bout

By Jonathan Rendall

Frank Warren yesterday

called for Mike Barrett's

promotional boxing licence to

be revoked after the Britisb

light-middleweight title con-

test between Gary Cooper and Gary Stretch, scheduled for

the Guildhall, Portsmouth,

last night, was cancelled at

Both boxers had booked

into their hotels and settled in

for a night's sleep on Tuesday

phone call to John Morris, the

secretary of the British Boxing

Board of Control, to say the

promotion was off after Steve

McCarthy, who was scheduled

to box on the undercard, pulled

out. The main-event boxers were not informed until yes-

Barrett said: "I'm boping to

stage the title fight in two to

three weeks' time. It's no good short-changing the fans. This was the first big show down here and people were paying a

lot more than they usually do."

It is also understood that

Barrett feared a repeat of

previous crowd violence if a

large contingent of supporters

turned up to watch boxers who

had been withdrawn from the

undercard. But Warren, who bought

Stretch's contract from Bar-

rett last year, said: "I shall be

asking the Board to withdraw

his licence. We also want full

compensation of £9,000 for

Barrett said yesterday that

1,100 of the 1,700 tickets at the Guildhall had been sold,

although many higher-priced

scats were still available at the

hox office antil the

Barrett, who failed to secure

television coverage for the bout, would have been relying

on gate receipts alone for

Warren had made the sec

ond highest purse bid to stage

the contest - £22,000 - and

said he would press the Board

for the right to promote the

NEW YORK: Butch Lewis,

the boxing promoter, is threat-

ening to call off the Mike Tyson v Michael Spinks world heavyweight title bout, sched-

uled for June 27, because of n

long-running disagreement with Home Box Office (HBO),

the American cable television

Lewis says he will cancel the bout if HBO does not drop the

legal case it has against him for \$10 million, following a

dispute last year when Lewis

rejected an offer for Spinks to challenge for the world title.

SPORT IN BRIEF

company (AFP reports).

Gary's purse."

cancellation.

revenue.

bout himself.

terday morning.

less than 24 hours' notice.

Supporters likely to be banned League officials are banking

The Sunderland chairman, Bob Murray, has promised to take the "severest action" against his club's supporters whn caused £2,000 damage during incidents in their game at York last month.

An FA hearing in Sheffield yesterday, headed by Les Mackay, the disciplinary commission chairman, decided against punishing either club, beyond instructing third division leaders Sunderland to print warnings in their programme for the next four home matches, including the first two games of next season.

But Murray insisted: "We will not have people associated with our club who bring the North-East into disrepute. The severest action will be taken when we can identify Around 500 of Sunderland's

6,000 supporters at the match on March 26 climbed onto the pitch to escape congestion. There was a further pitch invasion of the game, won 2-1 by York, during which one of the goals was broken.

But Mackay said afterwards that from the evidence presented at last week's original five-hour hearing at York that the FA were satisfied that no York fans were involved in either incident, and the Sunderland spectators climbed over the safety barriers "to escape the crush and were not intent on interfering with play".

 Billy McNeill, the Celtic manager, has been summoned to face the Scottish Football Association to explain his outhurst following the late postponement of a league match against Aberdeen last month. McNeill was critical of referce Andrew Waddell's decision to abandon the game an hour before the kick-off because of a waterlogged pitch

Sportsnight programme of his

feelings when he was given out

caught behind, claiming he had not touched the ball.

eys, including some of the country's most prominent rid-

ers, were killed when a char-

tered plane flying them from a

race meeting crashed in the

Orange Free State on Tuesday

There were no survivors

among the 23 on board who included three crew, n leading

trainer and several jockey cinb officials.

Among those killed were

Rooies Fourie, aged 27, the Transvaal's champion jockey with 54 winners this season, and the leading Transvaal trainer, Hennie van Wyk.

League banks on late ticket rush

nn a late surge in ticket sales boosting the attendance at this weekend's Mercantile Credit sponsored Centenary Festival at Wembley.

Trevor Phillips, the Football League's commercial director, expects in the region of 70,000 people to watch the two-day event but he admitted; "There is a certain amount of disappointment over the amount of tickets that have been sold, we can't deny To ensure that the fans of

the 16 competing teams are properly segregated, tickets have been on sale through the clubs and not from Wembley. But on the days of the Festival itself "family" tickets will be available to adults accompanied by at least one child, and the organizers are hoping that a large number of people will make a late decision to go and watch the festival. Doubts have been expressed

about the entertainment value on offer, with the matches on Saturday only consisting of 20 minutes each way, but Ken Bates, the Chelsea chairman, of the organising committee I would have brought my ticket 2,000.

months ago because I think it's a superb idea."

According to Bates, bad

luck has been partly to blame for the lukewarm public response. "We have been unlucky in one respect in that some of the hig clubs such as Arsenal and Tottenham failed to qualify, and there is also a Northern bias among the 16 clubs who have qualified, but that's the luck of the draw." Only three teams from the

London area, Wimbledon, Luton and Crystal Palace will be competing, and the cost of spending a night in a hotel in order to watch both days bas obviously acted as a deterrent for fans of those clubs further Everton and Liverpool have

sold less than 1000 tickets between them but Phillips commented: "We never expected Everton or Liverpool to sell as many as Crystal Palace for example. It's a fairly regular occurence for their supporters to come to Wembley, but Palace fans have never been there in their life before."

Palace have sold over 5.000 insisted: "If I wasn't chairman tickets while fourth division Tranmere have sold over

Founders take time off Aston Villa and Birmingham liam McGregor. The leg-

City yesterday turned the endary, clock back 100 years, taking McGregor co time off from the pressure of second division promotion and survival to commemorate the Football League Founders Day at Villa Park (a Special Correspondent writes). To give the occasion anthenticity, former players of both clubs donned replica kit from 1888 to clash in a special match during the interval.

centenary of the Football League, the brainchild of the Aston Villa chairman, Wil-

The day commemorated the

long-bearded McGregor could hardly have envisaged a future that has spanned 100 years, with the Football League's first division considered to be one of the best in world football. McGregor would have been

a startled observer of a league that has mushroomed from the original 12 clubs to 92 encompassing four divisions with all the modern day trappings that include £2 million transfers, multi-million pound stadia, executive boxes, and leading players heading for millionaire status.

Broad speaks of Pakistan incident Chris Broad, the England

batsman, has broken his siball you go," Broad said. "But I didn't hit it. lence over his controversial dismissal in the first Test match in Pakistan last The Nottinghamshire opening batsman told the BBC

South African jockeys

killed in plane crash

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

Fourteen South African jock- had been chartered by the

The aircraft, n 46-year-old Bloemfontein. It nppeare American-built DC-3 Dakota, have exploded on impact

way. ing-room and I burst into tears

Jackey Club of South Africa to

fly the riders from Bloem-fontein, in the Orange Free

State, where a race meeting

was held on Tuesday, back to

Most of the jockeys were

due to ride yesterday nt a

meeting at Newmarket, out-side Johannesburg, which has been cancelled. It will prob-

ubly be held later this year in the form of a benefit for the

The aircraft crashed in farmland near the village of

after it had taken off from Bloemfontein. It appeared to

dependents of those killed.

"It's in the laws of cricket, because I couldn't believe that in my book, that if you hit the something like this could actually happen in the inter-national arena. I'd perhaps gave in, naively thinking that it was a fair game and that people from both sides, al-"I knew I didn't hit it, so I stayed there, but it was wrong to do that - there are other ways to go about it. I just thnugh playing it hard, at the

end of the day, play it fairly. learned my lesson the hard *This was a completely new thing for me and I just didn't know how to react to it."

Mottram

Buster Mottram, the former British No. 1, will almost certainly play for Croydon against Bournemouth in the final of the Mortgage Corporation League at the Surrey Tennis and Country Club on.

Mottram has played in only one of Croydon's seven matches on the way to the final, but has been pencilled in to take the place of Jeremy Bates, Britain's present No. 1.

international open tennis tournament in Peking in April

London Marathon results The Times will on Monday publish the names and performances of all the Mars London Marathon competitors to finish inside three hours. The names and times of all the other finishers will be carried on Monday and Tueday.



Sunday.

Chinese tennis China plans to stage its first

Tickets sold

Millwall's key second division match at Bournemouth next Tuesday will be screened live at The Den as Millwall have sold their full allocation (2,700) of match tickets.



Mottram: pencilled in **Karol Short**

Karol Fageros Short, the former tennis champion who was banned from wearing gold lamé underpants at Wimbledon 30 years ago, died on Tuesday of cancer. She was 53. "She was really special, a shining light in the women's game," Butch Buchholtz. chairman of the International Players Championship, said. "She had such leadership qualities, was able to make changes and do creative

will put \$1m in reach From Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent, Hilton Head Island If Sandy Lyle completes a both past winners. The course his wins in the Greater Greensboro Open and the unique treble by winning the places a premium on acc-MCI Heritage Classic, which uracy, with holes such as the starts on the Harbour Town eighth narrowing to 35 yards course here in South Carolina at the landing area off the tee,

Third in row for Lyle

although Harbour Town has loday, then be will be poised to become the first player in small greens. It is not regarded as a putter's course. United States PGA tour history to win \$1 million in a

single season. That is the next target for the phenomenal Lyle who already leads the US money list with \$591,821. Victory here would be worth another

Head to head: Pat Eddery on Alquoz (left) holds off a late challenge from Greville Starkey on Lazaz to land the second leg of a double in the Wood Ditton Stakes at Newmarket yesterday (Photograph: Ian Stewart). Racing, pages 40 and 41

\$126,000. If be retains first place in the money list through to the Nabisco Grand Prix in November, then he will be assured of a \$175,000 bonus and a minimum of \$32,000 for teeing up in the select 30-man field at Pebble Beach. Thus, Lyle's winnings would total \$924,821 and in

his present form he would need to break a leg not to move past the SI millionmilestone. Lyle, who will return home for two weeks following this event, has confirmed that he will compete in a minimum of six other events on American soil.

His prospects of winning here are clearly enhanced by the knowledge that Nick Faldo (1984) and Bernhard Langer pean golfers in the field, are naments in succession after ahead." Ballesteros returns to prowl

The cat is back, and the mice

who have been playing while

he has been away are aiready

looking elsewhere for their

After Severiano Ballesteros

flew off to the United States to

prepare for the Masters, two

players less familiar with the

victor's podium stepped up,

David Whelan winning in

Barcelona, and David

To most people, finishing

eleventh at Augusta would be

cause for celebration, but to

Ballesteros, hungry to win his

first major title for nearly four

years, it was a bitter dis-

appointment and a wound to

Add to that the fact that the

Spaniard is the defending champion on the 6,882-yard

Cannes-Mougins course - it

was here that be had his only

tournament success in 1987.

shortly after being beaten in a

play-off for the Masters - and

the challenge facing the rest of

the field gets ever more

to set up Australia's 27-run

victory over England in the

second game of a three-match

series featuring veterans of the

Revenge bout

Brian Mitchell, of South Africa, the World Boxing Associ-

atinn juninr-light weight champion, will defend his title for the fifth time in a revenge

clash with Jose Rivera, of Puerto Rico in Madrid on

April 26. When the pair met in

Puerto Rico in March of last

year Mitchell, in his first

defence, retained the crown

after being held to a draw.

1977 Centenary Test.

Llewellyn in Biarritz.

cheese.

bis pride.

daunting

Even so, the adage that you drive for show and putt for dough" has most certainly been supported by Lyle this year. He is the leader in the Card of the course

Out 3,346 36 in 3,311 35 utting section of the official US PGA statistics with an average of 1.703. Bill Glasson leads the driving distance department with an average of 279.1 yards but he is 146th in the money list with winnings of only \$10,806. If Lyle wins he will climb to

the top of the Sony World Rankings, assuming that Greg Norman finishes outside the ding four. He would also

From Mel Webb, Cannes

which might even things slightly - Ballesteros is tired

He was kept waiting for four

hours for a plane at Atlanta,

and then had to endure a

similar delay in Zurich. He

eventually arrived back at his

Monte Carlo home late on

Card of the course

Hole Vds Par Hole Yds Par

Tuesday, only to discover that

somewhere along the way he

had parted company with his

So, before playing in the pro-am yesterday, he carried

nut a lightning raid on the

professional's shop and

emerged with a hotchpotch set

of clubs that would delight

In 3,473 36

Out 3,409 36

Total yardage: 6,827

and he bas lost his clubs.

Dave Musgrove, Lyle's trusty caddic, is as convinced that he can succeed here as he

was that Lyle would win at Augusta even after relinquishing the lead. "We were fortu-nate that our disaster came at the short 12th," Musgrove said. "It gave us the chance to regroup on the 13th tec. There is a cathedral-like calm on that tee. You seem miles away from anybody and the noise. It is almost like playing on your own course. "Sandy was not depressed

after taking five at the 12th but angry with himself for losing bis concentration. He started to talk about how silly he was to try to shape the eight iron tee shot there. Then he started to think ahead of himself, trying to work out where he might make birdies. You have to be a friend at that time, and say a few soothing words, but I also had to be firm and point out the importance of taking it shot by sbot.

"Yet I never thought that Sandy would not win. He had handled the pressure for 40odd holes of leading and I could see ahead that Mark become the first since Gary Calcavecchia was finding it (1985), the two other Euro- Player to win three tour- tough in a similar position up

However, Ballesteros stead-

fastly refused to be down-hearted and he also had praise

for the performance of Sandy

Lyle, the new Masters cham-

pion. "Right now he is the best player in the world, there is no

question about it. To do what

he did took great guts and

Ballesteros faces com-

petition from five of his Ryder

Cup colleagues, and in addition to Mark McNulty, of

Zimbabwe, third here last

year, Robert Lee, confined to his botel room yesterday with

a sore throat, will he keen to

repeat his victory at Cannes in

The presence of Joey

Sindelar, of the United States.

favourite on his mettle.

world to be allergic to any-

lengthy ban from the game

and a hefty fine if found guilty,

plays his fellow-Canadian,

Kirk Stevens, in a first-round

match heginning next Wednesday evening

A brief statement from the

game's ruling body, the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association, said:

The disciplinary hearing has

thing," he said.

the game have?"

Match where all gave their best

Mike Gatting, the England captain, emerges from the notes in poor shape, Wright concluding: "At times it was almost as if the Prince had head and walked nway."

will also put the tournament Sindelar has been suffering from flu and allergies and had a wretched Masters. "Augusta's not the best place in the viewpoint from Don Wilson.

after a year's absence; the five cricketers of 1987 are Jonathan Agnew, Neil Foster, David Hughes, Peter Roebuck and Salim Malik and all feature in Wisdon's first ven-ture into colour photography.

was launched by a dinr London on Tuesday, reflects warmly on one particular memory of last summer, the Lord's. The editor recalls: come to see fine cricketers give

On the same theme, a publication to recommend is Lord be Praised, MCC's own story of the club's bicantenary.

Thorburn freed to play in world championship By Steve Acteson Cliff Thorburn, of Canada, the drugs test at the British Open

There are just two factors most weekend hackers but not

a master craftsman.

great talent."

Thorburn, who faces a

world-ranked No. 4 snooker player, was yesterday given clearance to play in the Embassy world championship, which begins in Sheffield on Saturday. Lawyers representing

Thorhurn's management nrganization, Matchroom, successfully applied for an injunction at the High Court in London to prevent today's scheduled meeting of a discibeen adjourned to a date to be plinary committee in Sheffield fixed after May 5 to enable Mr. Thorburn to fully prepare his plinary committee in Sheffield

£15,000 grant to boost the

sport's grass roots. The stew-

three years so that a develop-

ment officer can be appointed

Thorburn's failure to pass a case." Henley backs scheme

to coach youngsters on a 1400. Stewards of the Henley Royal Regatta are supporting a metre four-lane course South Yorkshire rowing Six schools have been us development project with a

Six schools have been using the centre's limited equipment since it passed its first test with flying colours two years ago by ards have agreed to support staging an international match the Rotherham project for between England and France.

END COLUMN Conduct at the crease in the dock

By Alan Lee Cricket Correspon When "The Bible" preach all of us should take notice. Wisden Cricketers' Almanack, acknowledged protector of cricket's morals, as much as its minutise, this moraing targets critical comment of significant force at both the standard of behaviour and the state of mind attributable to a growing number of inter-national players.

hette

Much has been sp written on these contentions subjects this past winter, argu-ably too much. A gulf patently exists between the players' conception of acceptable conduct and that of those who comment on or merely watch Wisden, however, can never be ignored and one hopes that even the most self-righteous of players will absorb the book's

Gracine Wright's notes by the editor, indeed, make £16.50, soft cover £14.50). He warms to his theme early in the piece with a pointed thrust at the English game's leader-ship: "When those who lead are unable to rise above their former station, indeed do not consider it essential to do so, those they lead cannot be inspired to rise above their own routine levels of perfor-

Broad lucky to escape

tented times of MCC, muse on the mischief and malice o the dealings with Pakistan last summer, then becomes more majoring on the "unacceptable increase in violent attitudes". He explains: "I ant not referring to criminal violence such as physical assault, rather the ill-tempered outbursts one encounters from otherwise law abiding citizens." Wright suggests that Chris

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He touches on the discon

Wright suggests that Chris Broad was very fortunate to escape disciplinary measures for his refusal to leave the crease during the first Test in Pakistan. He goes on: "I doubt if there is a cricketer anywhere who has not been upset by an umpire's decision especially when — as can happen in club-and village matches — that unpire has 'affiliations' with the other side. But without the unchallenged acceptance of the principle that the suppire's word is final, what chance does

The point is brought home hy a cricket master, reporting for Wisden on his school's season and relating that three senior players had been sus-pended for disciplinary reasons. "All I can say after 19 years with the XI is that a schoolmaster must uphold behaviour standards, even at the cost of losing his best players."

placed the crown on Falstaff's The cry for stronger, principled leadership with a sense

of perspective introduces the remainder of the book, all 1,296 pages of it, this year printed on brighter and thinner paper, thus reducing the unwieldy bulk of the guarauteed number one bestseller. There are appreciations of Geoffrey Boycott, Derek Underwood and Graeme Pollock and n fascinating coach's The laws of cricket are back

This 125th edition, which

MCC's bicentenary match at We had not come to see anyone win or lose. We had of their best and it was a wonderful feeling."

year (English Life publica-tions, £2.50). Edited by Hubert Doggart. MCC treasurer, if orders and reproduces, from The Times, John Woodcock's accounts of the bicentenary match. It is a souvenir of a celebration which raised the spirits of all in the game.

